

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 11th day of September, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Mark Helms (chairperson)
Bill Ashman
Gary Johnson
Dan Breneman
Sonya Ledford
Joe Pritchett
Gary Hasenfus

Non-Attending Members:

Mary Ann Silvey (council liaison)
Dean Givens, Dir. Lake Ops.
Clint Calhoun, Environmental Management Officer

Call to Order and Agenda Review:

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

Approval of the minutes:

Gary Hasenfus made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2017 regular meeting as presented. Gary Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Special Topics –

- a) Discussion Concerning the Date of the October, 2017 Lake Advisory Board Meeting – The Board discussed changing the date of the Regular Lake Advisory Board Meeting scheduled for October 2, 2017. Following discussion, Bill Ashman made a motion to amend the Regular Lake Advisory Board's 2017 Meeting Schedule changing the date of the October 2, 2017 meeting to October 16, 2017. Gary Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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- b) Continue Discussion Concerning Dual Permitting of Commercially Permitted Boats-** Chairman Helms stated that it will likely be more beneficial to continue discussion concerning dual permitting of boats when the Lake Operations Department is available since most of the discussion on the topic relates to enforcement. Gary Hasenfus pointed out that that number of boaters potentially wanting to purchase dual permits may be higher than originally estimated and explained that if commercial boats are allowed to be used personally more resident may want to get commercial permits and obtain dual permits. Following discussion, Chairman Helms agreed to work with Lake Operations Director Dean Givens and Gary Johnson to draft a proposal for dual permitting.

Joe Pritchett explained that he will be providing the Board some information relating to a specific topic at the October Lake Advisory Board meeting and suggested that, since the October meeting will be held later in the month than normal, the November meeting should also be moved to allow the Board more time to between the October Lake Advisory Board Meeting and the November meeting. Joe Pritchett made a motion to amend the Regular Lake Advisory Board's 2017 Meeting Schedule changing the date of the November 6th meeting to November 13, 2017. Gary Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Areas of Responsibility Reports:

Fishery & Ecosystem – Gary Hasenfus stated that fishing supplies were stolen from his boathouse at 160 Burnt Ridge Road. Mr. Hasenfus also reported that the North Carolina Wildlife Commission recently increase the minimum size requirement for white bass to 14 inches from and decreases the daily creel limit for white bass to 10 fish. Mr. Hasenfus expressed his appreciation for a recent Lake Lure Lakefront Owners Association newsletter article on habitat.

Lake Structures – Gary Johnson commended Town and staff on the getting the word out concerning the Lake level changes during the recent storm event.

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Joe Pritchett stated that there will be a meeting of the dredging committee on September 15.

Public Forum

Blaine Cox stated that a mirror is required when a boat is towing, but questioned how many people who are towing have a mirror on their boat. Mr. Cox further stated that he hadn't really ran into much issue with wake boats until recently, but explained that when they go by they throw huge wakes, Mr. Cox asked if they should look at wake boats again. Betty Ross stated that she believe wake boats can be dangerous on the Lake.

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Adjournment: Bill Ashman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. Joe Pritchett seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Andrea H. Calvert, Town Clerk