Town of Lake Lure - Lake Advisory Board - Minutes of the Special Meeting -



The Lake Advisory Board held a special meeting at the Lake Lure Municipal Center on Monday, the 9th day of April, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Mark Helms (Chairman)
Dan Breneman
Gary Hasenfus
Gary Johnson (via phone)
Michael Yelton
John Kilby (Council Liaison)
Dean Givens, Director of Lake Operations
Clint Calhoun, Environmental Management Officer

Non-Attending Members: Bill Ashman

Call to Order and Agenda Review:

Chairman Mark Helms called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. The Board unanimously agreed to approve the Agenda.

Approval of the Minutes:

Mr. Gary Hasenfus made a motion to approve the March 9, 2018 regular meeting Minutes as presented. Mr. Dan Breneman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Individual Meeting Reports and Actions:

Lake Operations Department – The Lake Operations Department's report was sent out by Lake Operations Director Dean Givens prior to the meeting and was presented to the Board. Mr. Givens presented a buoy request for Mr. Charles O'Cain at 213 Lakeview Road. He provided a Google image of the lake and the property at 213 Lakeview Road to the Board. Mr. Givens explained that the proposed location did not meet the guidelines of buoy placement. The Lake Advisory Board under the authority of "Lake Structure Ordinance 94.09 Markers" agreed to deny the request.

Mr. Gary Johnson made the motion to accept and uphold the recommendation of Lake Operation Director Dean Givens to deny the buoy request for 213 Lakeview Road. Mr. Dan Breneman seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

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Special Topics:

Commercial Boating Model;

Lake Operations Director Dean Givens presented two Power Point presentations along with the boat permit sales history from 1996 – 2017, intended to review the Board on the current "Commercial Boat Permitting Model" and how it came to be. Mr. Russ Pitts provided a general overview of the work and studies that were conducted and how the Model was incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan. After review and discussion, concerns were raised that the Model does not accurately count the hours that boats operate.

Marina Slip Priority;

When the Marina slips were built, the idea was that the profits from slip rentals would cover the building costs. As the slips have become full, a waiting list was created which consists of residents and non- residents. Currently, the slips are rented on a first-come, first-serve basis. During discussion, the Board agreed that residents/property owners should get first choice on a slip rental and asked to review this again at the May 7th meeting.

Continue Discussion of Lake Lowering Matrix;

The Board discussed the pros and cons of lowering the lake for seawall repair and asked to discuss further at the next meeting.

Board Member Areas of Responsibility Reports:

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Fishery & Ecosystem – Mr. Hasenfus reported that the lake will be stocked with 20,000 threadfin shad this month. He also reported that he has negotiated with the current threadfin provider to conduct an ecological study on the lake while staying within the budget. The first study was conducted in 2007 and the last was in 2011. The studies will help to determine how quickly the fish in the lake are growing.

Public Forum

Mrs. Kathy Morgan, property owner on Snug Harbor Circle, questioned when buoys would be reset and requested that hers to be re-centered.

Adjournment:

Mr. Gary Hasenfus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m. Mr. Michael Yelton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mark Helms, Chairman