



Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board

June 3, 2019

Call to Order

Chairman Mark Helms called to order the June 3, 2019 meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:32 p.m. at the Lake Lure Town Hall.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Mark Helms, Chairman

Gary Johnson

Gary Hasenfus

Michael Yelton

Sonya Ledford

Town Council Members present:

Councilman John Kilby

Other Members Present:

Dean Givens, Director of Lake Operations

Absent:

Dan Breneman

Bill Ashman

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

The Agenda for the June 3, 2019 meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Hasenfus made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

The Minutes of the April 1, 2019 Board Meeting were reviewed. **Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes. Ms. Ledford seconded and all were in favor.**

Special Topic Discussions

A. Buoy Request – Watts at 435 Holmes Road and Rhea at 104 Yacht Island Drive – Mr. Givens handed out a map of each location requested. Mr. Givens addressed the Board and informed them that the 435 Holmes Road request did not meet the requirements set forth regarding Buoy locations. He additionally informed the Board that the 104 Yacht Island Drive location did meet the requirements. He reviewed the map locations with the Board. Mr. Givens recommended that the Board reject the 435 Holmes Road location and approve the 104 Yacht Island Drive location. There was further discussion.

Mr. Hasenfus made a Motion to not approve the 435 Holmes Road location as it did not meet the requirements or needs to have the Town place a Buoy at the location. Mr. Johnson seconded the Motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Rhea of 104 Yacht Island Drive spoke to the Board regarding his request. The Board agreed his request met the requirements regarding a Buoy being placed.

Mr. Johnson made a Motion to approve the placement of a Town Buoy at 104 Yacht Island Drive with the exact location left to Mr. Givens discretion. Ms. Ledford seconded the Motion and all were in favor.

B. Discussion regarding Motor Powered Boards on Lake Lure – Mr. Givens explained to the Board that there is a resident wishing to place a motor powered board, similar to a surf board with a motor. Mr. Givens further explained the watercraft. Mr. Johnson reviewed the Lake Use Regulations with the Board regarding powered watercraft as well as the definition of said craft. Mr. Kirby mentioned that he would advise the Board to further investigate these crafts before bringing a recommendation to the Board. There was discussion regarding that the craft would need to stay in the No Wake Zone, however there was also discussion regarding the motor/propeller under the craft as this would be a concern in the No Wake Zone. After further discussion, the Board agreed to table the recommendation under further review can be done.

C. Continued discussion regarding ‘does the LAB need to meet every month?’ – The Board discussed options of meeting every other month or every three months. There was concern regarding that meetings would be considerably longer if the Board did not meet every month. There was discussion regarding moving meeting days. This was reviewed by the Board and after further discussion it was agreed that the Board would continue to meet on the 1st Monday of every month, however there would be specific concentration to limit the time of a meeting.

Report from Lake Operations – Mr. Givens reviewed his monthly report with the Board and further introduced fecal readings at all locations. There was discussion in whether or not the aerators at the Beach location were helping. Mr. Givens stated there had not been enough records kept to know if they were helping or not. Mr. Givens further informed the Board that the Dredging is completed for now. Mr. Kirby stated that there was funding in the new budget that allowed for continued dredging for the new fiscal year.

Report from Council Liaison – Mr. Kilby had nothing new to add at this time.

Special Topic – Mr. Helms discussed with the Board findings from the Sub-Committee for Livery Boat Permits. He reviewed the numbers of those that deliver rental boats to rental homes, to the Marina and/or to Rumbling Bald Resort docks. He stated that there was concern as to whether rental homes should purchase their own permits as well as whether rental homes should be in the model. Mr. Helms also questions whether each rental boat at a rental home should be owned by the home owner. Mr. Helms stated while there were still no answers he wanted the Board to know it is still being studied. Mr. Kilby stated that he was concerned with the number of people that are renting their boats out. Mr. Kilby further stated that the guidelines state it was not permitted for a boat to be rented from Town owned docks. There was discussion that the Dam Marina was aware now of people

that do have commercial permits that are not town residents renting their boats from his location. He has begun to put pressure on them that that will not be allowed. Mr. Helms felt that while the Sub-Committee has some firm numbers, they're still in the process of preparing answers to bring to the Board. There was no other discussion.

Fishery & Ecosystem – Mr. Hasenfus reviewed the success of the new reef by the Lake Lure Village Resort cove. In this location they've seen a large number of fish. Mr. Hasenfus further told the Board that he has seen many more Copperheads this year than normal. There was a brief discussion regarding snakes in the area. Mr. Kirby did mention that since the "No Wake" zone went into effect at his residence on the lake he was seeing a greater number of Bass around his boat house as well as healthy vegetation.

Lake Structures – Mr. Johnson discussed lake levels. There was discussion among the Board of the water levels of the Lake and they agreed that it has been a bit lower. Mr. Kirby explained how the Dam is being controlled with the drought we're in. There was a brief discussion regarding lake levels in the past and present.

Emergency Preparedness & Response – Mr. Breneman was not present to discuss this.

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Mr. Yelton had nothing new to add.

Water Quality – Mr. Ashman was not present to discuss this.

Regulations & Law Enforcement – Ms. Ledford had nothing new to add.

Guests Forum

Mr. Kilby did remind the Board of the NC Open Swim Event coming up.

There was discussion regarding boat slips that are available for boaters that want to park around the downtown area to visit restaurants. The boat slips by the ABC Store as well as those to the west of the water park area were always available. Ms. Ledford mentions Marina dock locations that have time limits for parking.

Wade Oppliger, new entrepreneurs to the area (Lake Lure Racing & Rowing Retreats), brought the Board up to date with Regatta events that they were doing as well as coaching opportunities they've come across.

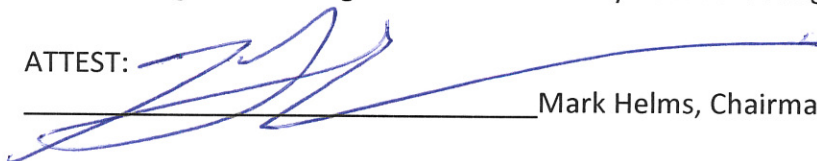
Adjournment

Mr. Hasenfus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 p.m. Ms. Ledford seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Minutes were transcribed by Kat Canant, Administrative Assistant to LLPD.

The next regular meeting of the Lake Advisory Board meeting will be July1, 2019 at 3:30 pm.

ATTEST:



Mark Helms, Chairman