



Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board
Special Meeting
September 26, 2019

Call to Order

Chairman Mark Helms called to order the September 26, 2019 Special Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:30 p.m. at the Lake Lure Town Hall.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Mark Helms, Chairman

Gary Hasenfus

Michael Yelton

Bill Ashman

Gary Johnson

Sonya Ledford

Dan Breneman

Town Council Members present:

Councilman John Kilby

Other Members Present:

Dean Givens, Director of Lake Operations

Garrett Murphy,

Absent:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

The Agenda for the September 26, 2019 meeting was reviewed. Mr. Helms asked to revise the Agenda by omitting Special Topic Discussions Section A regarding Lake Fee Schedule as well as the Public Forum Section. **Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Agenda as revised. Mr. Ashman seconded and all were in favor.**

Special Topic Discussions

3.B – Discuss and Recommend Amendments to the Lake Use Regulations – Mr. Murphy began by reviewing the sub-committee that was created to review the Lake Use Regulations and to bring their review and request for changes to the Board.

Mr. Murphy mentioned that these proposed changes had been brought to the Community Development Department and reviewed.

There was discussion among the Board regarding the proposed changes. Mr. Breneman mentioned that he was not in agreement with the vacation rental section as well mentioned his disagreement with the Liveries and Brick and Mortar sections, citing that this would put him out of business and other small business owners as well. There was continued discussion regarding the Definitions of Brick and Mortar.

The committee members discussed the purpose for these proposed changes were to get a hand on the continued infractions that are occurring with vacation rentals and small business owners.

The Board continued to discuss these issues, with each Board member voicing their approvals and/or concerns.

There was agreement with the Board that enforcement of these infractions needs to be increased.

The Lake Model was discussed and mentioned that it needed to be used as a guideline for these changes.

Board members discussed the purpose of the proposed changes and that it was to take the Lake Use Regulations to the Marine Commission for their review to approve or not.

Mr. Bill Ashman made a motion to approve the Lake Use Regulation changes and to deliver it to the Marine Commission for review at their next meeting. Mr. Gary Johnson seconded. Mr. Helms asked for discussion.

Members of the audience, Mr. Andrew Stevens and Ms. Jill Alexander (121 Middle Oaks Trail, Rutherfordton, NC) spoke regarding their vacation boat rental business out of Lake Lure and that they used Mr. Allen Moore's dock to operate from. Both felt that if the boat rental business owners would review boat operation and rules with the renters in person that most infractions would not occur. Mr. Jonathan Hinkle (268 Firefly Cove, Lake Lure, NC) of the audience, was also in favor of heavier enforcement on the lake and mentioned using separate colored permits so that enforcement officers would be able to view them and identify them from afar.

Mr. Helms asked the Board about omitting "H" under the § 4.07 COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS in the proposed changes to the Lake Use Regulations. There was continued discussion regarding the omission as well as Mr. Givens mentioned omitting the "BRICK –AND- MORTAR" requirements.

There was continued discussion on the pros and cons of omitting and/or changing the proposed changes. There was discussion regarding the placement of hour meters on boats using Lake Lure.

Councilman Kilby discussed current issues that are occurring by not having these rules in place and mentioned he supports the changes but that it would be up to the Marine Commission to approve or disapprove.

The Board was in agreement that a decision could not be reached at this time and scheduled another Special Meeting on October 1, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Town of Lake Lure Town Hall. Board Chairman Helms asked that the Board thoroughly review the proposed changes that would support the Lake

Model and stand by if Lake Lure property owners want to rent their house with a boat that they need a permit. The Board was in agreement.

Mr. Gary Johnson withdrew his second on the motion to approve the Lake Use Regulation changes and deliver it to the Marine Commission for review at their next meeting. Mr. Bill Ashman withdrew his motion for same.

Adjournment

Board Chairman Mark Helms adjourned the Special Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 4:52 p.m.

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

ATTEST:



Mark Helms, Chairman