

# Town of Lake Lure - Lake Advisory Board

## - Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting -

The Lake Advisory Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Town of Lake Lure Municipal Center on Monday, the 6th day of April, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

### **Attendees:**

Bo Williams (chairperson)  
Wiley Bourne (vice-chair)  
Gary Hasenfus  
Bob Keith  
Robin Proctor  
Bill Beason  
Dean Givens (Dir. Lake Ops.)  
Russ Pitts

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

Jeanine Noble (council liaison)

### **Guests:**

Clint Calhoun  
Amos Gilliam  
Blaine Cox

### **General Meeting Actions:**

- Chairperson Bo Williams called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The lake tour was cancelled due to weather.
- March and April minutes will be approved at the May meeting
- At the next meeting, the Board will review the areas of responsibility
- See below for individual reports
- The next meeting of the Board will be at 12:30 on May 4<sup>th</sup>, followed by the rescheduled lake tour at 1:30.
- Wiley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m., seconded by Bob. The vote of approval was unanimous.

### **Public Forum:**

- No report

### **Individual Meeting Reports and Actions:**

#### **Lake Operations Administrator – Dean Givens reported:**

- Discussion on recommended options for the marina roof
- March police patrols: 7 lake patrols, 1 safety check
- Beginning in July, lake structures administration responsibilities will be transferring to the Lake Operations department. Clint Calhoun will be transferring as well, while retaining
- Dean is now a certified EMT

#### **Town Council / Marine Commission Liaison – Russ Pitts reported (for Jeanine):**

- Russ has drafted a new lake brochure of commonly asked questions and lake history

#### **Emergency Preparedness & Response – Bob Keith reported:**

- The Olympiad is considering hosting an open water swim – Perhaps 2 to 3 miles from the Lake Lure Inn or end of the peninsula to the dam.

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### **Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Bill Beason reported:**

- Dean reported that there were 5 bids received for engineering the dredging spoils area project. The award was given to Stott Paving.

### **Commercial & Recreational - Bo Williams reported:**

- The marina is open from 10 to 6. Gas is self-service during operating hours.
- The Olympiad

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

- We completed stocking the threadfin stocking on Tuesday. We received between 18-20,000 from Birmingham, AL. There was very little loss during transport. Most were 2-4” long. The strategy was for these fish to spawn to create more forage fish. We aim to continue this for a few years.
- Trout releases are happening in the river over the next six weeks.

### **Lake Structures – Wiley Bourne reported:**

- Discussion on amending lake structures regulations to better deal with decktop canopies. Wiley will bring a draft for review at the next meeting.

### **Dam & Sewer Operations, Water Quality – Robin Proctor reported:**

- No report

### **Other Business**

- Amos presented the recommended amendments to the lake structures regulations concerning voting procedures for the Lake Structures Appeals Board. Robin made a motion that the Lake Advisory Board accepts the amendments to the lake structures regulations as recommended by the Lake Structures Appeals Board. The motion was seconded by Bob and was passed unanimously.
- Continued discussion about evaluation options for removing the Marina roof. Dean will research getting structural opinions from local builders.
- Clint provided an update on the lake structures inventory / GIS database project. He is requesting input from the Board on what data would be required. This will be placed on a future agenda.

### **Recap of Motions Passed:**

- The Lake Advisory Board accepts the amendments to the lake structures regulations as recommended by the Lake Structures Appeals Board (regarding LSAB voting procedures).

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### Open Action Items:

Open Actions	Owner	Update
Obtain structural assessments on removing the marina roof from local builders (4/09)	Dean	
Recommend amendment language to Lake Structures Regulations that would remove or clarify the references to electrical and plumbing modifications in section 94.06 (B)	Amos	
Recommend amendment language to Lake Use Regulations that would establish a probationary period for new lake commercial license holders. (1/09)	Chris	
Evaluate how the lake structure regulations treat canopies as decktop accessory structures. For example, engineering drawings and LSAB application/approval are required. Should there be regulatory distinctions for canopies vs. more permanently constructed units? (8/09)	Wiley	Fall 2008 – the board discussed possible changes that would excluded temporary structures (those not installed permanently, or remaining up for a limited number of hours or days) from the regulations.
Prepare a multi-year fishery management plan that addresses a comprehensive set of activities—including fish stocking. (11/08)	Gary and Dean	Sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blue Ridge Ecological recommendations</li> <li>Discussions with NC WRC</li> <li>Input from local fishermen</li> <li>Budget</li> </ul>
Convene an LAB subcommittee to meet with town attorneys and town council with the purposed of developing grandfathering provisions for the Lake Structures regulations. (3/08)	Chris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshop to be scheduled</li> </ul>
Once an approach to grandfathering of lake structures is finalized, the board needs to re-visit the development of specific standards for multi-dwelling lake structures.	Wiley	
Prepare draft Standard Operating Procedures manual chapters for each area of responsibility. (3/08)	All LAB members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Templates provided</li> <li>Law Enforcement draft completed</li> <li>Dredging &amp; Watershed stabilization draft completed</li> </ul>

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Prepare and submit the draft Lake Advisory Committee bylaws for review and approval by the town council/marine commission. (1/08)	Chris	

### Closed Action Items:

Closed Actions	Owner	Update
Collect historical lake temperature readings from VWIN; format and post to town website	Dean Chris	Done – although no readings have been taken in offseason months. Dean will explore the possibility of an automated temperature readings posted to the website (similar to lake level readings)
Draft an initial version of committee member responsibilities [by area] (12/07)	Chris	Distributed to all Board members, included in draft Charter/Bylaws
Work with town staff and police department to communicate the elimination of the winter catch & release period. (12/07)	Gary	Done
Request support from town staff in preparing minutes from tape recordings of LAC meetings. (1/08)	Chris	Done
Provide standard operating procedures templates to each member for their area of responsibility. (2/08)	Chris	Done
Obtain signage for the non-motorized boat launch ramp near the ABC store. (1/08)	Bo & Dean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Just need to add “LL boat permit required” language</li> </ul>
Identify the language needed to clarify the “annual” on the annual boat permits and in the guide to lake rules. (3/08)	Dean & Chris	Done
Prepare a letter to the LAB & Marine Commission on his problems with Todd’s RV & Marine. (5/08)	Dean	Done
Communicate to Ron Morgan and the fireboat crew the sensitivity to the wake generated by the fireboat...for other boaters, lakefront properties. They should make every effort possible to minimize high-speed runs near other	Bob	Done

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boats. (6/08)		

### **Board Recommendations to the Council / Marine Commission:**

Recommendation	Date	Status
The Lake Advisory Board recommends that the town install a channel through the peninsula that separates the beach area from the mouth of Pool Creek.	May 2008	Town staff evaluated the site during the week of 10/13 – DWQ will also be consulted.
The Lake Advisory Board recommends that Town Council consider re-naming the Town Marina to the Washburn Marina in honor of the Washburn Family and their service to Lake Lure.	June 2008	Done  Next action: new signage will be coordinated by the Director of Lake Operations – in the next fiscal year.
The Lake Advisory Board recommends to the Town Council (1) that the town consider banning the feeding of all waterfowl by residents and/or tourists on town property in an effort to eventually eliminate the geese problem, and (2) that the town should look into solutions for long-term geese control.	July 2008	(1) Done  (2) Research being done by Director of Lake Operations
The Lake Advisory Board recommends to the Marine Commission the amendment of the fishing regulations (size and creel limits) in section 1.02 of the Lake Use Regulations to match the default statewide fishing regulations.	July 2008	Done