

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAKE LURE MARINE COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018, 4:00 P.M. AT THE LAKE LURE MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Cooley
Mayor Pro Tem John W. Moore
Commissioner Bob Cameron
Commissioner John Kilby
Commissioner Stephen M. Webber
Shannon Baldwin, Interim Town Manager

ABSENT: N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kevin Cooley called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Kevin Cooley gave the invocation and Council members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Stephen Webber proposed moving the "Boat Slip Leasing Policy" from "Consent" to "New Business." Mayor Cooley noted this would be the first item on "New Business."

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Mayor Pro Tem John Moore seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Kevin Cooley invited the audience to speak and no one requested to speak at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kevin Cooley presented the Consent Agenda and asked if any additional items should be removed before calling for action.

Commissioner Stephen Webber made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Therefore, the Consent Agenda incorporating the following item was unanimously approved:

- A. Adopt the September 11, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- B. Adopt the 2019 Meeting Schedule.

LAKE LURE MARINE COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR YEAR 2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
March 12, 2019	Lake Lure Municipal Center	4:00 p.m.	Regular
June 11, 2019	Lake Lure Municipal Center	4:00 p.m.	Regular
September 10, 2019	Lake Lure Municipal Center	4:00 p.m.	Regular
December 10, 2019	Lake Lure Municipal Center	4:00 p.m.	Regular

* Regular Lake Lure Marine Commission meetings are held four times per year during the months of March, June, September, and December on the second Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

A. BOAT SLIP LEASING POLICY

Commissioner Webber noted that at the last LLMC meeting, it was discussed that priority three would be combined with commercial boat operators with marine mechanical services and deferred to the LAB. He stated that the LAB did not discuss this during their meeting yesterday. The Board agreed to add commercial marine mechanical services to the priority list.

Commissioner Webber made a motion to adopt the Boat Slip Leasing Policy, as revised with the amendment to paragraph A sub paragraph (3) to add commercial marine mechanical service providers. Commissioner Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST FROM MICHAEL LEWIS TO WAIVE THE \$100 LATE FEE FOR HIS 2019 LAKE COMMERCIAL LICENSE

Mr. Givens reported that the LAB reviewed this request at their last meeting and unanimously recommended to uphold the Town's regulations and to deny Michael Lewis' request to waive the \$100 late fee for his 2019 Lake Commercial License. He mentioned that there have been ten other late applications received in which all paid the \$100 late fee. Mr. Givens stated that he would follow up and make sure that the addresses on file for renewal letters are up-to-date. Commissioner Kilby asked that Mr. Givens also make sure that there is not a guideline in place that states that renewal letters are not required to be sent out. Commissioner Webber suggested keeping late applications on file in case someone comes out of the model. Town Manager Shannon Baldwin stated that he and Mr. Givens would discuss this matter further. Mr. Givens noted that the LAB plans to review the Model in the future to update to recommend any updates they feel are necessary.

Michael Lewis explained that he has been a fishing guide in Lake Lure for many years and that he never received an email or letter stating that there would be a fee if he missed the deadline. He mentioned that he planned to come and pay on the due date but had a medical emergency and had to go to the hospital, noting that he was here the very next day to pay the license fee. The Board felt that this was an exception and an extenuating factor in Mr. Lewis missing the deadline.

Mayor Pro Tem John Moore made a motion to waive the fee. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

B. TOWING RESTRICTIONS FOR FISHING GUIDE PERMITS

Mr. Givens explained that the LAB reviewed this matter a few times and each time they have agreed to continue not allowing fishing guides to tow. He mentioned that LAB felt it could present problems with allowing the commercial category to tow and with enforcing it and wanted to keep the regulations the same. He noted that the commercial boat model will hold seven fishing guides.

Esther Lusk, president of the Lake Lure Lakefront Owners Association, pointed out that fishing guides get discounts on their commercial permits because they tend to use fewer lake hours usually in the early morning and in the evening. She stated that if they were allowed to tow it would significantly change the lake hours that they might use.

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Commissioner Cameron made a motion to support the Lake Advisory Board and keep the policy as written. Commissioner John Kilby seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

C. APPROVAL OF THE 2019 LAKE COMMERCIAL LICENSES

Mr. Givens presented the 2019 Lake Commercial Licenses noting that all applications received this year were included into the Model. He stated that the LAB reviewed the 2019 Lake Commercial Licenses and recommended approval. Commissioner Webber pointed out two adjustments needed to the Model. He stated that David Butts is no longer the contact for Lurecrest and that John Garse should be changed to John Garle. Mayor Pro Tem mentioned that tour boats get a lot of lake hours in the Model. Mr. Givens stated that the hours can be moved around to other categories if the Board chooses.

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to adopt the 2019 Lake Commercial Licenses as presented. Commissioner Stephen Webber seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Givens pointed out that the Commercial Boat Model has been in place for many years and provides good guidelines. He explained that it is created in Excel and takes numerous staff hours to update each year, noting that there is a simpler way to manage the Commercial Boat Model. He stated that the LAB plans to study commercial boat hours further to better the Model. The Board recommended that Mr. Givens and the LAB continue to study the Lake Commercial Model and provide a recommendation to the Board. Commissioner Kilby pointed out that there are still problems with commercial boat operators who rent slips around the lake and are not property owners and are using their boats as boat rentals. He felt there should be a separate permit for vacation rental boats and Mr. Givens stated that he would look into this.

NEW BUSINESS


D. NON-MOTORIZED VESSEL STICKERS

Mr. Givens noted that the LAB reviewed two non-motorized vessel stickers and recommended white stickers with black lettering, with no red lettering. He stated that the stickers would be handed out with non-motorized permits and also for the police to hand out for vessels that do not have them in order to help educate boaters.

Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to approve the decal on page 24 of the packet with the red lettering being changed to black. Commissioner Bob Cameron seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Bob Cameron made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:49 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem John Moore seconded and the motion carried 4-0.



Michelle Jolley,
Lake Lure Marine Commission Clerk

