

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 2nd day of June, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Mark Helms (chairperson)
Joe Pritchett
Gary Hasenfus
Dan Breneman
Bill Ashman
Gary Johnson
Mary Ann Silvey (council liaison)
Dean Givens (Dir. Lake Ops.)
Clint Calhoun (Environmental Management Officer)
Chris Braund (Town Manager)

Non-Attending Members:

Derek Papesh

Guests:

Mayor Bob Keith
Bo Williams
Blaine Cox
Stephen M. Webber

General Meeting Actions:

- Chairperson Mark Helms called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
- Joe Pritchett made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2014 regular meeting. Gary Hasenfus seconded the motion and the vote of approval was unanimous.
- Gary Hasenfus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Gary Johnson seconded the motion. The vote of approval was unanimous.

Public Forum:

Bo Williams, manager of Lake Lure Tours and former LAB member, mentioned that dredging at the beach should be considered when the lake is drawn down this coming winter.

Individual Meeting Reports and Actions:

Lake Operations Administrator – Dean Givens reported:

Dean reviewed his monthly status report provided to board members prior to the meeting and announced that the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will participate in “Operation Dry Water” — a statewide campaign to build awareness of the dangers of boating under the influence of alcohol. The campaign will take place the last weekend in June, 2014.

Mr. Givens pointed out that all of the slips available for annual rental at the marina have been rented and one person is on the waiting list. The board discussed the four slips at the marina designated for short term mooring.

Bo Williams, manager of Lake Lure Tours, explained that two of the slips are designated for short-term free mooring and the other two are for short-term paid rental. Mr. Williams suggested that more revenue could be generated through the two paid short-term slips if the slips were rented on an annual basis.

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After discussion, Gary Hasenfus made a motion to recommend that the two marina slips designated for short-term paid rental be rented out on an annual basis instead of short-term. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Town Council / Marine Commission Liaison Report- Commissioner Mary Ann Silvey reported the activities of Town Council.

Fishery & Ecosystem – Gary Hasenfus reported:

- Mr. Hasenfus reported that, based his conversations with fishermen, there seems to be a lot of activity on the lake.

Lake Structures – Gary Johnson reported:

- Mr. Johnson met with Clint and he has reviewed the current Lake Structure Regulations and the wording on many pages is difficult to understand. He would like to determine the original intent of the regulations and work on clarifying them. Blaine Cox volunteered to help with the process.

Emergency Preparedness & Response – Dan Breneman reported:

- No Report

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Joe Pritchett reported:

- Mr. Pritchett reported that, in general, citizens are aware that there is a tremendous need for dredging and show support for funding it.

Water Quality – Bill Ashman reported:

- No Report

Regulations & Law Enforcement – Derek Papesh reported:

- No Report

Other Business

Discussion Concerning a Request for Additional Boats Slips at Firefly Cove

Joe Pritchett presented a request on behalf of Firefly Cove asking to increase the number of boat slips in Firefly Cove from 9 to 15.

The board discussed the request, current prohibitive zoning, and potential approaches for applying for the additional slips including; applying for a cluster mooring or marina or potentially considering a variance or rezoning of the property.

Open Action Items:

Open Actions	Owner	Update
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Lakefront Owners / Contractors Pamphlet	Dean	Working with Valerie and Mark
Advertisements on Lake Regulations Brochure	Bill & Dan	
Lake Use Regulations Sections 1.52(A)	Dean & Derek	

Closed Action Items:

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Dredging: multi-year strategy, plan and budget recommendations	Dean & Joe	Recommended plan drafted

Board Recommendations to the Council / Marine Commission:

Recommendation	Date	Status
Lake Commercial License Approvals and 10% increase in boat permit fees earmarked for dredging.	12/2/13	Enacted by the Marine Commission
Amendments to Lake Structures Regulations (clarifying the definition of marina and side lot line extensions)	1/6/14	Clint drafted amendments adopted by council 3/11/14
Allow a new fishing guide business to be added to approved Commercial License for 2014 (Jason Rice)	2/3/14	Marine Commission approved 4/8/14
Fishing Regulations to match state regs	3/3/14	Marine Commission approved 4/8/14
Lake Use Regulations Sections 1.51(E)(4)	4/7/14	Marine Commission to review when 1.52(A) revision is complete
Dredging: multi-year strategy, plan and budget recommendations	5/5/14	Town Council to review during budget process