



Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
April 7, 2025

Call to Order

Chair Jim Lemmons called to order the April 7, 2025 at 3:30 pm.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Mr. Jim Lemmons

Mr. Mark Helms

Mr. Richard Sayles

Mr. Dave Lusk

Mr. Gary Hasenfus

Ms. Sonya Ledford

Absent:

All members were present.

Town Council Members & Town Representatives present:

Councilman Dave DiOiro, Council Liaison

Dana Bradley, Parks, Recreation & Lake Director

Members of the Public

There were no members of the public present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda for the April 7, 2025 board meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Helms made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Sayles seconded the motion, and all members were in favor.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the February 3, 2025 Lake Advisory Board Meeting were reviewed. **Mr. Lusk made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Hasenfus seconded the motion, and all members were in favor.**

Chair/Vice Chair Communications

Neither the Chairman, nor vice-chairman had anything to report.

Public Comment

No public was in attendance.

LAB Reports and Comments

Regulations & Law Enforcement

Director Bradley reported for law enforcement. She noted that law enforcement activity is revolving around trespassers in Morse Park. Law enforcement presence will continue on the lake as any activity other than contractors is prohibited.

Report from Council Liaison

According to Council Liaison Dave DiOrio, the town's top objective is to restore vitality to the community, with efforts concentrating on restoring a public entrance Chimney Rock State Park and reopening the lake. The municipality is still supporting the idea of opening Chimney Rock State Park from Lago Vista Drive.

He expressed concerns that the area's bridges were being negatively impacted by the excess weight of the trucks carrying rubble.

Fishery & Ecosystem

Mr. Hasenfus reported that a fish study is scheduled for May of 2026. The status of the spawning season remains unknown.

Emergency Preparedness & Response

Lusk reported the latest test of the warning systems proved that they are working well.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

New Business

Discuss V-Hull Boat Weigh Restrictions

Board members discussed the weights, lengths and energy distributions of current models of v-hull boats. **Mr. Lusk made a motion to recommend to the Lake Lure Marine Commission to drop weight requirements for permitting boats on Lake Lure. Mr. Sayles seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

Lake Access Restrictions During Recovery

The question of whether any usage of the lake would be permitted this season was discussed. The board decided that, for safety concerns, the lake should remain closed for use for the time being, due to the lowered lake level, navigational challenges, and ongoing recovery projects.

Adjournment

Lusk made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 4:47 p.m. Mr. Helms seconded the motion, and all members were in favor.

Minutes were transcribed by Corbie Bradley, Board Clerk.

The next regular meeting of the Lake Advisory Board will be May 7, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. with a boat tour.

ATTEST:

_____ Kathleen M. Hatfield, Chair

_____ Corbie Bradley, Board Clerk