



Lake Structure Appeals Board Regular Meeting

October 24, 2023

Call to order

Chair Greg Gardner called the Lake Structure Appeals Board regular meeting to order at 2:21 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Mr. Greg Gardner, Chair
Mr. Neil Gurney, Vice Chair
Mr. Wyn Hardy
Mr. Melvin Owensby
Mrs. Kimberly Sayles, Alternate (Serving)

Absent:

Mr. Al Joyner
Mr. Mark Windfeldt, Alternate

Town Council Members and Town Representatives present:

Michael Williams, Community Development Director
Richard Carpenter, Development and Environmental Review Specialist
Commissioner David DiOrio, Council Liaison

II. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the October 24, 2023 Board Meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Hardy made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Mr. Gurney seconded. All present members voted in favor.**

III. Approval of the minutes

The minutes for the September 26, 2023 Board meeting were reviewed. **Mr. Owensby made motion to approve the minutes, as presented. Mr. Gardner seconded and all voted in favor.**

IV. Public Comment

There were no comments for the public.

V. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

VI. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

VII. Adjournment

Board members and staff discussed that increased work on lake structures will be taking place during drawdown. Staff discussed issues with sedimentation in the lake and the need to dredge. Commissioner DiOrio explained the history and current state of dredging, and noted that the Town should be able to do more when the lake can be drawn down 20 ft. and a new contract with a general contractor to do mechanical dredging is in place. Commissioner DiOrio noted that state grant for dredging will be extended, and the Town will not lose the current grant.

Commissioner DiOrio explained issue with recusals, and noted that there are specific things that the state allows recusals for, it is actually an excusal and must have financial linkage for you or your business or a board members must have participated in ex-parte communications about the case. Commissioner DiOrio added that the Board must vote to excuse a board member. Mr. Gardner asked if it is fine if an applicant asks a Board member about the case and the board member defers to staff and it was answered yes, and that it is recommended to defer to staff.

Chair Gardner asked for a motion to adjourn the Lake Structure Appeals Board meeting at 2:32 p.m. Mr. Gurney made motion to adjourn and Mrs. Sayles seconded. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:



Olivia Stewman, Town Clerk



Greg Gardner, Chair