

Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board Regular Meeting

July 11, 2022

Call to Order

Chairman Mark Helms called to order July 11, 2022 Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:28 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Mr. Mark Helms, Chairman

Mr. Jim Lemmons

Mr. Gary Hasenfus

Ms. Sonya Ledford

Mr. David Lusk

Ms. Kathleen Hatfield

Absent:

No members absent.

Town Council Members & Town Representatives present:

Town Manager - Hank Perkins Council Liaison - Commissioner David DiOrio Parks, Recreation & Lake Director - Dean Givens Parks, Recreation & Trails Coordinator - Dana Bradley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda for the July 11, 2022 meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Gary Hasenfus made a motion to approve the** agenda as presented. **Mr. Dave Lusk seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the March 7, 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Dave Lusk made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Ms. Hatfield seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

New Business

No new business to report.

Report from Council Liaison – Commissioner Dave DiOrio

There was discussion was brought up about the status of the sewer project and lake draw down. Sleeves will be put in under the boathouses first. The sleeves will allow the actual sewer pipes to slip easily into the already placed sleeves. Sunset Cove will be the first to have the sleeves installed. Mr. Dave DiOrio reports this project will likely last from Christmas time to early April. The question was brought up about spawning time. When asked about spawning times, Mr. Gary Hasenfus addressed questions regarding spawning times. The board is looking to keep the sewer project's time frame efficient and sensitive to spawning season.

Mr. Dave Lusk would like to see any permitting changes be made publically available by Labor Day weekend. This will allow seasonal residents to get their boats off the lake in a timely manner. Discussion was had regarding the time line of 2023's permit stickers ordering and availability.

Ms. Kathie Hatfield is willing to help in putting together the last draft. Her help was approved and much appreciated.

Mr. Dave DiOrio would like the final LUR suggestions to be ready to go before the Marine Commission in September

Report from Lake Operations - Dana Bradley

She was happy to report another great month with lots of boating activity. Mr. David Lusk reported that he had seen a standup paddle boarder in the area at the dam and questioned the absence of the cable across the dam. Mr. Dean Givens reported the cable was taken down years ago, as it was a decapitation hazard. Current signage and buoys should be deterrent enough for boaters to steer clear. Mr. Mark Helms reported an increased police and N.C. Wildlife presence on the lake. Mr. Dean Givens reported that N.C. Wildlife is back to being fully staffed. Ms. Dana Bradley will be patrolling the lake on July 24 along with other Lake Lure police officers and N.C. Wildlife.

Fishery & Ecosystem - Mr. Gary Hasenfus

Mr. Gary Hasenfus says that there is not much to report. Columnaris, a bacterial infection in bass has been noticed by some fishermen. This bacterial growth is due to the increased temperature of the lake water. This is not deadly to fish but concerning for human consumption of the fish. Mark Helms questioned if the fungus on the fish goes away when the temperature of the water goes back down. The answer was yes. Also mentioned was the absence of a fishing buoy from map point 33.

Emergency Preparedness & Response - Mr. David Lusk

Mr. David Lusk reported that he is continuing to monitor buoy placements. He stated that he received a complaint about no buoy being at the river. This has been replaced.

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization

Dean Givens reported that Tim Edwards has been working on the land work involved with the dredging project. Heavy lake traffic has made work on the waters of the lake difficult. When the traffic lessens, Mr. Edwards will start back with the dredging.

Regulations & Law Enforcement - Ms. Sonya Ledford

Ms. Sonya Ledford had nothing to report.

Continued Discussion of Lake Use Regulation suggestions for Marine Commission

Lengthy discussion of approvals and suggested edits to the Lake Use Regulations.

Public Comment

No public comments as no public was in attendance.

Mr. Lusk made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 5:55 p.m. Ms. Ledford 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 August 1, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mark Helms, Chairman

_Corbie Bradley, Board Clerk