



**Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Lake Lure Town Hall**  
**November 1, 2021**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Mark Helms called to order November 1, 2021 Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:31 p.m.

**Roll Call**

***Board Members present:***

Mr. Mark Helms, Chairman  
Mr. Ken Golliher  
Mr. Bill Bay

Mr. Michael Yelton, Vice Chairman  
Mr. David Lusk  
Ms. Sonya Ledford

***Absent:***

Mr. Gary Hasenfus

***Town Council Members & Town Representatives present:***

Council Liaison - Commissioner John Kilby  
Parks, Recreation & Lake Director Dean Givens  
Parks, Recreation and Trails Coordinator Dana Bradley

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Agenda for the November 1, 2021 Board Meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Golliher made a motion to approve the Agenda, Mr. Bay seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes for the September 13, 2021 Board Meeting were reviewed. **Mr. Golliher made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Ledford seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

## **New Business**

No New Business

## **Report from Lake Operations – Dean Givens**

Mr. Givens reviewed Ms. Dana Bradley's monthly report and there were no questions

## **Report from Council Liaison – Commissioner John Kilby**

Mr. Kilby mentioned that the lake draw down has begun and is happy to see that all boats in the Marina are now off the water. Mr. Kilby mentioned as well that if things continue looking good, there may be a chance that the lake will begin coming back up at the end of January, but this is not in stone. There was a brief discussion regarding same. Mr. Givens mentioned that new permits will begin selling on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Givens also mentioned that the new barge is deployed. He also mentioned that it's possible that one of the contractors this winter may lease it out.

## **Fishery & Ecosystem – Mr. Gary Hasenfus**

Mr. Hasenfus was not present however it was mentioned that the town will be accepting all used live Christmas Trees for use in the lake to help the fish.

## **Emergency Preparedness & Response – Mr. David Lusk**

Mr. Lusk mentioned that Mr. Givens is training him on the new barge.

## **Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Mr. Michael Yelton**

Mr. Yelton confirmed that the dredging ceased and the lake is in the draw down mode. Mr. Givens mentioned that he will send the dredging report to the LAB shortly.

## **Regulations & Law Enforcement – Ms. Sonya Ledford**

Ms. Ledford had nothing further.

## **Public Comment**


There were no comments from the public.


Mr. Lusk made a motion to adjourn the Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:45 p.m. Mr. Golliher seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

Minutes were transcribed by Kat Canant, Board Clerk

The next regular meeting of the Lake Advisory Board will be December 6, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

 Mark Helms, Chairman

 Kat Canant, Board Clerk



**Dean Givens; Parks, Recreation, and Lake Director**

**DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation, and Lake**

**REPORT DATE:**

**PREPARED FOR:**

October 28, 2021

Town Manager

## I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Current Parks, Recreation, and Lake Projects:

1. Boy's Camp Rd. Campground – <i>New master plan has been adopted</i>	2. Luremont Trails – <i>Trail scouted; permits filed; Plan approved by Parks and Rec. Board, legal opinion received; working on next steps</i>	3. Marina Phase II and Amphitheater Funding – <i>Working with TDA/ Rutherford Bound to keep projects moving forward</i>
4. Monetization Schedule for P&R Assets and Facilities – <i>New ideas being considered</i>	5. Updating Parks and Recreation Open Space Plan – <i>Working with Ed Dittmer and Moe Bay on updates</i>	6. Morse Park Walking Path Expansion Grant – <i>To expand the pavement back to town hall</i>
7. Morse Park Master Plan update which includes the design of the amphitheater and additional parking	8. Replacement of boardwalk/seawall at the gazebo – <i>Applying for permits</i>	9. Buffalo Creek Park parking lot expansion – <i>Not selected for grant funding; researching other grant options</i>
10. Permit for Filling in Half of Pond in Morse Park – <i>According to the Morse Park master plan</i>	11. Deep Water Launch – <i>Applying for permits</i>	12. Finishing the paver walkway from the small beach house to the big beach house
13. Island Creek spoils site	14. Lake access for dredge equipment	15. Storm Damage Repair



**PR&LD ACTIVITIES:**

1. Oversee daily operations for Parks, Rec, & Lake
2. Attended multiple staff/public meetings
3. Attended multiple project meetings
4. Picked up the new work barge
5. Worked on multiple projects
  - Dredging
  - Island Creek Rd. silt disposal site
  - Deepwater Launch
  - Walkway pavers in front of beach
  - New seawall at gazebo
  - Mining permit
  - Boys Camp Rd. plans
  - Police in-service training
  - New permitting soft ware
  - Assisted Police department due to staffing shortages

**PR&TC ACTIVITIES:**

1. Was sworn in as a Lake Lure law enforcement officer on 10/19
2. Mailed commercial boat licensing renewal letters
3. Began checking the renewal applications we received and filing them
4. Continued working on project permit applications
5. Made reminder phone calls to people with boats still in the marina about the lake drawdown
6. Ordered the 2022 boat permit stickers
7. Began working on the 2022 dredging grant application
8. Continued training the new AmeriCorps member, Samantha Brooks
9. Updated the Parks, Recreation, and Lake Department Standard Operating Procedures
10. Continued research for a new permitting software company
11. Continued lake debris clean-up efforts
12. Recruited volunteer to help with lake debris clean-up - 1 volunteer; 16 volunteer hours
13. The trail boss for the Weed Patch Mountain Trail walked the trail, cleared several trees, and reported issues on 10/10 – 1 volunteer; 8 hours
14. The trail boss for Buffalo Creek Park and the AmeriCorps member walked the trail and reported issues – 1 volunteer; 4 hours
15. Led Buffalo Creek Park workday on 10/12 to repair erosion and remove a large tree blocking the trail – 5 volunteers; 30 volunteer hours
16. Led Weed Patch Mountain Trail workday on 10/13 to remove fallen trees – 6 volunteers; 48 volunteer hours
17. More trees were cleared from the Weed Patch Mountain Trail on 10/18 – 2 volunteers; 12 hours
18. Erosion issues were repaired on the Weed Patch Mountain Trail on 10/21 - 1 volunteer; 6 volunteer hours
19. Fallen trees and storm damage was reported on Buffalo Creek Park and the Weed Patch Mountain Trail on 10/26 and 10/27. A fallen tree and other debris was removed from the trails – 2 volunteers; 16 volunteer hours
20. Recruited volunteers for a Dittmer-Watts workday on 10/27 to repair minor erosion and remove a tree from the trail – 2 volunteers; 6 volunteer hours

21. Planned upcoming trail maintenance days and recruited volunteers to help
22. We will check trail counters on 11/1 and continued training Samantha on the process
23. Checked Buffalo Creek Park, Dittmer-Watts Nature Trails, and Weed Patch Mountain for damage
24. Utilized volunteer to collect water samples from streams – 2 volunteers; 12 volunteer hours
25. Took water samples to EQI for testing
26. Utilized a total of **158 volunteer hours**
27. Attended several meetings

#### **P&R Maintenance Activities:**

1. Helped with storm damage clean-up
2. Performed regular ground maintenance activities at all areas
3. Cleaned parks, boat ramp, and marina
4. Sprayed playground equipment and picnic tables with bleach
5. Put up/took down arts and crafts festival and library banners

#### **Lake Activities:**

1. Debris pickup
2. Storm debris clean up
3. We now have the new work boat and barge here

### **1. FOLLOW UP**

1. Open Space Plan: Will continue working with Ed Dittmer and Moe Bay to update the Open Space Plan
2. Luremont Trail: Plan has been approved by Parks and Recreation Board; legal opinion received; working on next steps
3. Boys Camp Road: Not selected for PARTF funding.
4. Dredging Grant: \$637,500 grant awarded, applying for 2022 grant
5. Naming Rights Policy: Continuing to gather information for Naming Rights Policy for Town properties
6. Lake Lure Trails: Work days held on Lake Lure trails each month to ensure they are properly maintained

### **2. OTHER**

1. Marina Slips Available: 0