

Lake Structure Appeals Board Regular Meeting

July 25, 2023

Call to order

Board Chair Greg Gardner called the Lake Structure Appeals Board regular meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Mr. Greg Gardner, Chair

Mr. Neil Gurney, Vice Chair

Mr. Wyn Hardy

Mr. Al Joyner

Mr. Melvin Owensby

Mrs. Kimberly Sayles, Alternate

Mr. Mark Windfeldt, Alternate (Serving)

Absent:

Mr. Al Joyner

Town Council Members and Town Representatives present:

Michael Williams, Community Development Director Richard Carpenter, Development and Environmental Review Specialist Kimberly Martin, Community Development Administrative Support Specialist Commissioner David DiOrio, Council Liaison Commissioner Scott Doster, Observer

II. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the July 25, 2023 Board Meeting was reviewed. Mr. Neil Gurney made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Mr. Greg Gardner seconded. All present members voted in favor.

III. Approval of the minutes

The minutes for the June 27, 2023 Board meeting were reviewed. Mr. Wyn Hardy made motion to approve the minutes, as presented. Mr. Gurney 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. <u>New Business</u>

A. Review developing issues relating to "roll-up rafts" and "inflatable trampoline rafts", and the Lake Advisory Board and Zoning & Planning Board recommendations regarding current/changes to regulations. (no action required/for information only)

Community Development Director Michael Williams explained that both the Zoning and Planning Board and the Lake Advisory Board (LAB) had discussed recent issues that Town staff had been experiences related to roll-up rafts. Director Williams noted that he had issued one lake structure permit for a roll-up raft because the owner of the raft went to the Parks, Recreation, and Lake Department to obtain a permit and when Parks, Recreation, and Lake staff informed them that they do not issue permits for these structures, the individual went to Community Development and insisted that they would like a permit. Director Williams also noted that the Town's Code of Ordinances mentions temporary inflatable water devices, which would be the closest structure to a roll-up raft, but otherwise roll-up rafts and similar structures are not detailed in the Code of Ordinances. Director Williams detailed that Town staff is reviewing how these structures can be regulated moving forward. It was mentioned that the LAB did not think that these structures should have to be permitted, but rather enforced if out of compliance with regulations and standards. It was also mentioned that the Zoning and Planning Board expressed that they would like to further review regulations.

Director Williams invited the Lake Structure Appeals Board members to provide any input. Mr. Mark Windfeldt noted that he had observed that these types of structures do not need to be anchored. Director Williams agreed and explained that if a structure is anchored, it could be considered a moored structure. Commissioner Scott Doster detailed that there are differences between inflatable, roll-up, and swim platforms. Commissioner David DiOrio expressed that this issue would be best controlled through setting rules within the Lake Use Regulations.

VII. Adjournment

Chair Gardner asked for a motion to adjourn the Lake Structure Appeals Board meeting at 3:16 p.m. Mr. Gurney made motion to adjourn and Mr. Windfeldt seconded. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Olivia Stewman, Town Clerk

Greg Gardner, Board Chair