



Lake Structure Appeals Board Regular Meeting

August 23, 2022

Call to order

Mr. Gardner called the Lake Structure Appeals Board meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Mr. Neil Gurney, Chairman
Mr. Wyn Hardy, Vice Chairman
Mr. Melvin Owensby
Mr. Greg Gardner
Mrs. Kimberly Sayles, Alternate
Mr. Mark Windfeldt, Alternate
Mr. Rick Spruill, Alternate

Absent:

Mr. Al Joyner

Town Council Members and Town Representatives present:

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

II. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the August 23, 2022 Board Meeting was reviewed. **Mr. Gurney made motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Mr. Owensby seconded. All members voted in favor.**

III. Approval of the minutes

The minutes for the June 28, 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed. **Greg Gardner stated to add Rick Spruill as an attendee. Mr. Wyn made motion to approve the minutes, including amendments. Mrs. Sayles seconded and all voted in favor.**

IV. Public Comment

There were no comments for the public.

V. New Business

A. Informational discussion of issues with moored inflatable floating platforms

Director explained the department has seen an increase in issues regarding moored inflatable floating platforms, which are considered structures per ordinances. Board members discussed what criteria is involved with being considered a moored inflatable floating platforms. Commissioner DiOrio noted how this relates to the Lake Use Regulations. Director Williams explained that a temporary structure of this type can be up to 10 ft., but permanent structures over 15 ft. can only be permitted and approved by the Town Council and must be for group recreation programs.

Mr. Windfeldt expressed that dredging equipment is an issue. Commissioner DiOrio explained that it is not a moored platform, but an anchored vessel. It was noted that there are other dredging equipment's that might be considered a moored platform. Commissioner DiOrio noted that he has seen a navigation notice that lights up at night and that this may be broached.

B. Informational discussion of issues lake front beaches

Director Williams explained that issues have emerged regarding refilling lake front beaches. Director Williams noted that Town ordinances constitutes that filling below the shoreline without written permission from Town Council is prohibited. Director Williams stated that the individual who has been fined for this has complained that the Town beach and Rumbling Bald refill their beaches, but noted that those should have been approved by Town Council in the past. Director Williams noted that this is also an issue with North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Army Corp of Engineers, both of which would also be required to grant approval. Commissioner DiOrio confirmed that the Town beach and Rumbling Bald have both gotten approvals from all parties. Director Williams expressed that there are a number of potential issues regarding beach fill and he wanted the Board to be aware.

C. Informational discussion of cluster mooring facilities and marinas

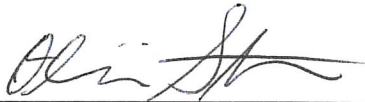
Director Williams provided the Board with an example of cluster mooring facilities and marinas. It was noted that there have been complaints regarding cluster mooring related issues.

Commissioner DiOrio noted that recommended changes to Lake Use Regulations aim to relieve some of the complaints that have emerged. Commissioner DiOrio also reported that residents at Sunset Cove property owners have been communicated with regarding sewer work this drawdown, which might become an appellate process to the LSAB if any property owner refuses to comply with the Town. Commissioner DiOrio also noted that this is the beginning of a process which Community Development will have involvement in. Commissioner DiOrio noted that all recommended changes to the Lake Use Regulations should be discussed at the Marine Commission on September 13th.

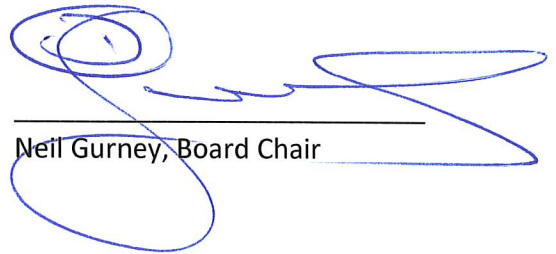
VI. Adjournment

Mr. Gardner asked for a motion to adjourn the Lake Structure Appeals Board meeting at 3:02 p.m. Mr. Hardy made motion to adjourn and Mr. Owensby seconded. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:



Olivia Stewman, Town Clerk



Neil Gurney, Board Chair