



Lake Lure Lake Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
November 7, 2022

Call to Order

Chairman Mark Helms called to order November 7, 2022 Meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Mr. Mark Helms, Chairman
Mr. Gary Hasenfus

Mr. David Lusk
Mr. Richard Sayles

Mr. Jim Lemmons

Absent:

Mrs. Kathie Hatfield
Ms. Sonya Ledford

Town Council Members & Town Representatives present:

Council Liaison - Commissioner David DiOrio
Parks, Recreation & Lake Director Dean Givens
Commissioner Scott Doster

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda for the November 7, 2022 Board Meeting was reviewed. **Chairman Helms made a motion to approve the Agenda with New Business being, 2023 Lake Advisory Board Meetings Schedule. Mr. Lusk seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the October 3, 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed. **Mr. Lusk made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Hasenfus seconded the motion and all members were in favor.**

New Business

The 2023 Lake Advisory Board Meetings Schedule was reviewed. A change should be made for the July 3 meeting. This meeting should be scheduled for July 10, 2023 due to the Independence Day Holiday. **Mr. Hasenfus made a motion to accept the 2023 schedule with changes. Mr. Lemmons seconded the motion and all were in favor.**

2023 LAKE ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS

January 9	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
February 6	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
March 6	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
April 3	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
May 1	12:00 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
June 5	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
July 3	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
August 7	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
September 11*	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
October 2	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
November 6	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*
December 4	3:30 P.M.	Parks, Rec., and Lake Office*

*Lake Advisory Board Meetings are held the first Monday of each month except when the date falls on a holiday. Meetings will be held at the Parks, Rec., and Lake Department Office unless the Chair of the Board opts to meet at the Lake Lure Municipal Center. Decided location which will be shown on the meeting agendas.

Note: May LAB meeting is scheduled for noon to **tour** with Parks, Rec. & Lake Director

Lake Lure Boater License Project

Dean Givens reported on the Lake Lure Boater License program. Commissioner Di'Orio has helped get this educational program underway by building the Lake Lure Boater License PowerPoint. The process will consist of a power point and test. The PowerPoint and test will be provided for online. In person

viewing and testing will also be offered with printed & laminated PowerPoint slides being made available at permitting agencies. Online test results will be verified with an email to Parks, Recreation & Lake staff. A congratulatory screen, which can be screenshotted and presented by the test-taker, to the permitting agent, will be made available by the online testing program.

The purpose of the boater license is to provide education to boater operators on the specifics of the rules and regulations of safe boating on Lake Lure.

In Ms. Hatfield's absence, Chairman Helms read her email regarding findings and suggestions. Any edits will go through Commissioner Di'Orio.

- Add, "Those who are in failure to comply will be subject to fines and/or license suspension" to the third bullet of the Lake Lure License Requirement page.
- It was determined that, according to Lake Use Regulations §4.05(c), Non-Motorized boaters(including sculling vessels) will not be required to be licensed through this program at this time.
- Change the third bullet of the swimming section to read, "no further than" as opposed to "within".
- Add "or tying up to" after the word "boarding" in the second bullet of the Courtesy section.

Mr. Lemmons made a motion to approve the presentation with these changes. Mr. Hasenfus seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Report from Council Liaison

Commissioner Di'Orio addressed the status of the sewer project. A contractor will be operating Town-owned equipment from Town-owned barges. We would like to see the contractor make short work of this project and it last for weeks, as opposed to months. Residents can use this time to do maintenance and repair work on their docks, boathouses and seawalls.

The time frame for the various levels of drawdown was discussed. A favorable scenario would be, to do the deepest drawdown first and work up from there.

Dean Givens asked to be notified anytime the lake level is brought up. Lack of this communication could result in damages to the dredging teams. Mr. Lemmons stated that Rumbling Bald Resort would need the same communication, as they will be having active dredging projects during this time as well.

Report from Lake Operations

The Parks, Recreation & Lake Report was sent out previously and no questions were offered regarding the report. Mr. Givens would like the Board to look into the number, placement and effectiveness of buoys on the Lake. The Board can work to form a recommendation to put before the Marine Commission on the continued use of buoys. We currently spending \$3,000 yearly on buoys.

Fishery & Ecosystem

Mr. Hasenfus stated that a study on fish life of the Lake is overdue. He has researched who stocked the Lake in the past as well as what varieties have been successfully stocked in the past. He discussed the value of the different varieties that would do well in Lake Lure. Commissioner Di'Orio encouraged Mr. Hasenfus to put in a request for the funds to conduct a study.

Emergency Preparedness & Response

A board member for the Lake Lure Classical Academy is working to get the school's gym designated as an Emergency Shelter.

Dredging & Watershed Stabilization

Dredging is continuing. As of this month, we have met our goal of using the funds that was granted for this project. We are in the process of reapplying for grants for additional dredging for January 2023 through December 2023. When the lake level is dropped in January, excavation dredging will begin in the riverbed area of Morse Park.

Mr. Lemmons spoke on Rumbling Bald Resorts efforts in dealing with sedimentation in that area. It was mentioned that Firefly Cove works to deal with the sedimentation in that area as well.

Regulations & Law Enforcement

Ms. Ledford was absent.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

Mr. Lusk made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Lake Advisory Board at 5:16 p.m. Mr. Hasenfus 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 December 5, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the Parks, Recreation & Lake Office.

ATTEST:



Mark Helms, Chairman



Corbie Bradley, Board Clerk