

Lake Harding Leaseholders Association, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2017

Call to order

President Ron Durham called to order the quarterly meeting of the Lake Harding Leaseholders Association Board of Directors at 6:00 p.m. on March 8, 2017 at Freeman and Associates.

Roll call

Secretary Brette Johnson conducted a roll call. President Ron Durham; Treasurer Richard Young; Secretary Brette Johnson; and Board Members David Hawkins, Bubba Roberts and Greg Gantt, Janeen Tucker, Jim Duncan and Joel Donovan were in attendance. Also present were Dave Jacobs; Keith Padgett of the Beulah Fire District; Richard McKinney of Antioch Volunteer Fire Department; Dawson Ingram of Georgia Power; Henry Jackson of Chattahoochee River Warden; and prospective Board member, Jamie Taylor.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the last meeting were presented. Richard Young moved to approve the minutes as read; David Hawkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Richard Young distributed the current Financial Report. David Hawkins moved that the report be accepted as presented; Joel Donovan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

1. Georgia Power Committee: David Hawkins had no updates. He will get with Mike Barnett on plans for the Boating Safety class.
2. Lake Harding Signage: Joel Donovan reported that we have been granted approval from Lee County to erect a sign at the Long Bridge on the Alabama side, and Neil Block has given us permission to erect a sign on his property at Lick Skillet Road and Highway 219 on the Georgia side. Robert Teasley is currently working on the artwork for the sign. Joel will give further updates at the upcoming annual meeting.
3. Media Committee: Dave Jacobs reported that the LHA website has been hacked. He is in the process of finding a new host provider and will get the website back up as quickly as possible. Ron Durham will get the backup from Jim Duncan.
4. Street Captains Committee: Greg Gantt has divided the Georgia side of the lake into 16 zones and would like to have a captain for each zone. He will ask for volunteers at the annual meeting. Dawson Ingram from Georgia Power offered to provide larger, more detailed maps for Greg. Richard Young reported that he has begun recruiting captains in his neighborhood on the Alabama side.

5. Recruitment Committee: Committee Chair, Janeen Tucker, introduced Jamie Taylor, a Georgia resident, to fill the vacancy from Todd Wood's resignation.
6. Rumble on the River: Ron Durham reported that we have signed the contract for the July show and the deposit of \$12,750 has been made. Preparation for the show is going well and additional fund raising for the show will begin after the annual meeting.

New Business

1. The annual General Membership meeting is for March 23, 2017 at Georgia Power. Shuttle service for Alabama residents will begin at 5:00 pm. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.
2. President Ron Durham introduced Dawson Ingram from Georgia Power. Dawson updated the Board on the status of their projects around the lake.
 - a. Long Bridge – The parking lot at the boat ramp has been improved and new grass has been planted.
 - b. Valley Park – The parking lot has been paved, new lighting has been installed, and bathroom facilities have been built.
 - c. Idle Hour – The parking area has been paved and a new fishing pier has been installed.
 - d. Fish Attractors – Fish attractors have been placed in various locations around the lake.
 - e. 2016 Drawdown – Dawson explained to the Board how the efforts are coordinated between Georgia Power and the Corps of Engineers that manages West Point Lake. Everything was on track statistically for the drawdown. There were no indications of the impending drought conditions. The next drawdown is scheduled for 2019.
 - f. Hydrilla – Dawson passed around a map showing the areas of the lake that have been treated. Efforts to manage the plant continue and are proving to be successful.
3. Requests for 2017 donations were presented the Board.
 - a. Friends of the Cross has requested a donation of \$1,000. Joel Slocumb was unable to attend the meeting, so Ron Durham briefly told everyone that these funds are needed for regular maintenance and electricity to light the cross. David Hawkins moved that we make the donation, as requested; Richard Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - b. Henry Jackson, the new Executive Director of Chattahoochee River Warden, requested a donation of \$1,000. These funds pay for the Association's annual membership in the organization and will be used to pay for staff time and to further research the management of hydrilla on the lake. Joel Donovan moved that we make the donation, as requested; Janeen Tucker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- c. Chief Keith Padgett of the Beulah Fire District requested a donation of \$5,000. These funds will be used to purchase needed radios and flashlights for the firefighters. Joel Donovan moved that we make the donation, as requested; Jim Duncan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- d. Chief Richard McKinney of the Antioch Volunteer Fire Department requested a donation of \$5,000. These funds will be used to purchase needed personal protective equipment for the firefighters. Richard Young moved that we make the donation, as requested; Janeen Tucker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

After a brief discussion regarding the recent death of one of the bald eagles, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary Brette Johnson

Minutes approved by: [Name]