

Lake Harding Leaseholders Association, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

November 21, 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 November 21, 2017, at Freeman and Associates.

Roll call

The following persons were present: President Ron Durham; Treasurer Richard Young; Secretary Brette Johnson; Board Members Jim Duncan, David Hawkins, Joel Donovan, and Greg Gantt.

Old Business

Approval of minutes from last quarterly meeting

Ron Durham presented the minutes from the last meeting and noted that the date needed to be corrected to the July 26 in lieu of July 20. Richard Young moved to approve the minutes as corrected; Joel Donovan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Georgia Power Committee Report

David Hawkins reported that he has made arrangements to hold quarterly meetings with committee members and Georgia Power management employees. The purpose of these meetings is to keep the communication between the association and GA Power current and to strengthen the relationship to better serve everyone.

Street Captains Report

There was nothing new to report from the committee. Richard and Ron both reported that their efforts to get their neighborhoods informed are going well.

Middle Chattahoochee Forests and Water Supply

Ron recently attended a meeting at Georgia Power. The forecast is that the organization, through donations, will meet the monetary goals needed to move forward. An Executive Director has been identified. The organization will benefit from a lot of free research done by students of the University of Georgia.

Wake for Warriors

Brette reported that the organization is planning to have another event at Lake Harding in 2018. A couple of dates have been discussed. Brette will be attending at meeting with Dave Deep, the founder, and the local committee sometime soon after the first of the year. Brette will report back to the board and we will determine at that time what, if any, participation the association will have in the event.

Fall Barbecue

The Association held two barbecues for the first time this year. The first was held at Doc's on the Alabama side; the following week, the second was held at 219 on the Georgia side. We had between 130 – 150 attendees at each of the barbecues. This is the most attendance we have ever had for the fall social. The feedback from the general membership was very positive.

Media Committee

Richard Young presented a picture of a sign he saw recently on a trip. He liked the sign and the message it sent to visitors. All board members in attendance also like the sign. Brette is going to work on a logo and saying for the sign and will present it in two weeks.

New Business

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Richard Young distributed the current Financial Report. Joel Donovan moved that the report be accepted as presented; Jim Duncan seconded the motion. Motion carried. There was a brief discussion about reducing the amount of the donations in the coming year. Also, the hope is that the new website will make joining and maintaining membership easier, thus increasing the membership.

New Business

1. We need to be looking for candidates to nominate at the Spring meeting to fill vacancies on the board. We will elect new board officers at the January 2018 meeting. During this discussion, Jim Duncan recognized Richard and Ron for their commitment and dedication to the association.
2. Website: We have been fighting issues with the Lake Harding Association website for some time now. Ron Durham recommended that the association join with LakeHarding.com. The administrator of that site, Westguard Solutions, has presented a proposal to set everything up and maintain the site for us. There would be a tab on the LakeHarding.com website that will take users to the Lake Harding Association page. Westguard will set it up where we can sell merchandise on the site, dues may be paid, events will be managed, etc. The cost of conducting business through Simplify Commerce versus Pay Pal has been compared and the move would be cost effective.

Jim Duncan asked the question of whether or not we want to give up the lakehardingassociation.com domain. His concern is that if we join with LakeHarding.com, we will lose the identity of the association. If Westguard Solutions goes out of business or we opt to discontinue the relationship with them, Jim feels that the association would be left with nothing. Jim suggested that we get Westguard to put a link on the LakeHarding.com site that would redirect the user to LakeHardingAssociation.com and that site could still be maintained.

A full discussion of the pros and cons of setting it up both ways was held. The decision of whether or not to join with Westguard Solutions was tabled until Ron has further discussion with Mark regarding fees and the benefits versus drawbacks of setting it up both ways.

3. Boat Parade: The date for the boat parade is set for December 9th, 2017 at dark. A party for the participants will be held at the Donovan's home following the parade. So far, only four boats are registered.

Adjournment

With no further business, President Ron Durham adjourned the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary Brette Johnson

Minutes approved by: [Name]