

# **Lake Harding Leaseholders Association, Inc.**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**July 10, 2019**

### **Call to order**

President Ron Durham called the meeting to order of Leaseholders Association Board of Directors at 6:00 p.m. on July 10, 2019, at Freeman and Associates in Columbus, GA.

### **Roll call**

The following persons were present: President Ron Durham; Treasurer Richard Young; Secretary Brette Johnson; Board Members Jay Clark, David Hawkins, Pam Thomas, Tom Schroeder, Keith Padgett, and Bill Wadsworth.

### **Approval of minutes from last quarterly meeting**

Brette Johnson presented the minutes from the last meeting. A correction will be made to clarify the change in dues. Bill Wadsworth moved to approve the minutes as corrected; David Hawkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Richard Young presented the current financial statement. Richard will send an email to those members who pay by Pay Pal to remind them to change the payment amount to \$50 for their annual dues. The checks for the annual charitable donations have been sent. Keith Padgett moved to approve the report; Brette Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

#### **Rumble on the River Report**

The show was held July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Everything went as planned and everyone in attendance agreed it was the best show we have had. No new business to report on it.

#### **Middle Chattahoochee Forest and Watershed Committee**

Ron explained the intent and goals of this project to the new board members. To Ron's knowledge, there has been no new activity in almost two years. We will leave this committee active until we can get a report from Henry Jackson.

### **Lake Harding Community Signage Committee**

David Hawkins reported that a brick mason has agreed to work with the local schools and that he will also donate the block for the signs' foundations. Harris County High School has a new program in place and is excited about the opportunity for the students in the program to assist with building the sign in Georgia. Keith Padgett will join David on this committee and will work to get the schools in Alabama involved, as well. David is confident that we will be able to have all of the materials donated. He is also looking into what would need to be done to illuminate the signs.

### **Georgia Power Committee**

David Hawkins reported that Georgia Power is still waiting on the final approvals for the drawdown, but it is still on schedule for the fall. David has asked Dawson Ingram to have a meeting set up by the end of the year with the appropriate Georgia Power representatives from Atlanta to discuss taxation of Georgia Power Leaseholders. Dawson has agreed to do that.

### **Street Captains Report**

Bill Wadsworth has joined this committee and will head up the efforts on the Alabama side; Jay Clark will be assisting Bill.

### **New Business**

#### **Annual Meeting Venue**

The Georgia Power facility is no longer available for the Association to hold the annual business meeting. Tom Schroeder will chair the committee to find a venue and plan the 2020 meeting. He has already looked at some options and other board members offered suggestions of places to check.

#### **Membership Recruiting**

Brette Johnson will update the pdf on the website for recruiting. Ron will ask the website administrators to add a link that he can access to announce new members and also announce them on the Lake Harding Facebook page. The hope is that recognition will encourage those who are not currently members to join. Ron issued a challenge to the board to see who can recruit the most new members prior to the next meeting.

## **Annual Barbecues**

The Association will have two barbecues, again, this year; one on the Alabama side and one on the Georgia side. All members are invited to attend one at no cost; anyone is welcome to attend both, but he/she will be required to pay to attend the second one. Bill Wadsworth will contact Doc's to set a date for the Alabama side. Once that date is set, Brette Johnson will work with 219 to set up the Georgia event. It will be the Sunday prior to or after the Alabama event.

Ron has spoken with Dawson about the saplings that are normally given out at the meeting. Dawson has said that Georgia Power will still do it if we arrange it and tell him how many to provide; they decided not to do it any longer because so many were left in the past. Pam Thomas will contact Dawson to come up with a plan to have saplings available at the barbecues for those members who would like to have them.

With no other business, guest attendee, Glenn, asked if there is anything the Association could do to address the activity and noise on the islands; it is a nuisance to those who live near the islands. Bill Wadsworth has discussed the issue with Georgia Power. They are communicating with DNR to find out how these type situations are handling on other lakes.

There are signs posted (Bill shared a picture of the signs), but they are very small and often knocked over so they are not visible. Georgia Power has discussed options for other signage, but say that financing them is an issue. Those present agreed that the Association and its membership could fund the signs and erect them with Georgia Power's approval. David will discuss this with Georgia Power.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office purchased a boat to assist DNR with marine patrol on Lake Harding. They are randomly patrolling and have been seen riding by the islands. Keith Padgett and Bill Wadsworth will try to get more information on Lee County's mission with the boat.

David Hawkins suggested that the Association sponsor a boating safety course. Keith Padgett will contact Georgia Power and Lee County to try to get this organized.

## **Adjournment**

With no further business, President Ron Durham adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary Brette Johnson

Minutes approved by: [Name]