

**Minutes of General Members Meeting,  
Leesville Lake Association, April 12, 2018, Altavista Train Station**

**Call to order:** 6:30 p.m. by President, Sherwood Zimmerman

**Present:** J. W. Burton, Tony Capuco, Dick Donnelly, Phyllis, Garlick, Mary Loiselle, Tracy Pauley, Frank Podrebarac, Dannie Smith, Jim Weiss, Sherwood Zimmerman

**Absent:** Richard Beaton and Gerry Caprario,

**Members Present:** 14 members were present.

**Quorum:** Yes

**Agenda:** S. Zimmerman asked for a motion to approve the agenda as written for the April 22, 2019 General Members meeting.

**Motion:** *T. Pauley made a motion to approve the agenda. F. Podrebarac seconded. All approved.*

**Minutes:** S. Zimmerman asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written from the March 8, 2018 Board Meeting.

**Motion:** *J. W. Burton made a motion to approve the minutes as written for the March 8, 2018 meeting. D. Smith seconded. All approved.*

**Treasurer's Report:** M. Loiselle emailed the Treasurer reports to all the Board Members. Mary reported that \$35,488.00 was received for water monitoring from AEP. Calendar sales are \$930 through March. She received the renewal for the Commonwealth of Virginia S Corp Commission. She is updating and will send. S. Zimmerman asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's reports as submitted.

**Motion:** *T. Pauley made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. F. Podrebarac seconded. All approved.*

**SPEAKERS:** *Thomas Kathan-Tri-County Marina, Chip Zimmerman-Leesville Lake Marina*

The two marinas are working together to provide entertainment, supplies, food, and fun.

Thomas reported that the store at Tri-County is open and stocked with paper goods & grocery items. Their ABC license is pending. He is updating the store with items to hopefully help residents, boaters, and campers with a convenient place to shop versus having to go to town. The docks are being updated and reinstalled. Opening day will be April 15<sup>th</sup>. He is hoping to have family entertainment with local musicians. The pavilion is going to be updated. Fireworks will be on July 4<sup>th</sup>. He is working with VDOT and Google to advertise the marinas. Tri-County will be participating in Beautification Day will be offering complimentary food and drinks.

Chip reported that Leesville Lake Marina will be having the Friday night fish fry from 5 to 8 starting on the Friday before Memorial Day. The grill will be open. The pool is being reinstalled hopefully by the end of May. He is planning on having music some weekends. Leesville Lake Marina has 44 slips, boats, paddle boats, paddle boards, and pontoons.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** Sherwood reported that the association still needs a Membership Committee Chair.

**Water Quality:** Per a report emailed by T. Capuco, he reported on the challenges we faced in 2017 and will continue to face with the demolition of the Pigg River dam near Rocky Mount. The Water Quality Committee has expressed their frustration about the nature of the event and lack of forewarning to LLA to Franklin County, AEP, and TLAC. The water quality will likely worsen over the years due to this demolition. The Mountain Valley Gas Pipeline has plans to forge the Pigg River to bury the pipeline which will also present additional problems. The WQC will be expanding their water monitoring efforts this season and we will continue to partner with Lynchburg College. Colleagues at Ferrum College and Smith Mountain Lake are assisting our efforts.

**Safety:** In G. Caprario's absence, S Zimmerman stated that the first Safety Boating Class is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>. He also reminded everyone to check their fire extinguishers on their boats.

**Navigational Aids:** Dick Donnolly reported that we are still waiting on approval for the installation of the three hazard buoys we applied for back in January. An additional seven will be installed once the three have passed the review process.

**Debris:** Per a report emailed by J. Weiss, he informed the members that two documents were sent to AEP in March, 2018. The first document is a reply to, and commentary on, AEP's annual report on debris to FERC. AEP is obligated to submit a report annually and to which LLA, SMLA, and TLAC are entitled to comment. The Debris committee responded in order to give a more accurate, complete, portrait of actual, existing conditions. They acknowledge AEP's participation but commented that there is much more to be accomplished in this area. The second document was created as part of LLA's ongoing discussion with AEP, not as part of the submission to FERC. It is based on the Licensing Agreement and AEP's responsibilities with regards to Leesville Lake. The Committee has requested meetings to discuss several points, however, AEP is questioning the necessity of any meetings. The Debris committee will continue their efforts.

J. Weiss also asked for everyone to continue to report debris to TLAC and the Debris committee. Please send photos.

**Beautification Day:** D. Smith reported that the Debris committee met 3 weeks ago. Information about LLA Beautification Day was sent to TLAC to report in their newsletter. The article for our newsletter is being updated. A sign-up link for participation is on the web. Also, remember to provide T-Shirt sizes. Bob Rankin is designing the T-Shirt again this year. Tarps will be provided. Chain saws are needed. Boats are needed. This is the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Beautification. WSET and The News and Advance requested to be a part of Beautification Day this year.

**Communications:** Frank Podrebarac reported that he will start emailing twice a month, little snippets of things happening about the lake and issues of importance.

**Newsletter:** B. Podrebarac reported that the next newsletter will be going out June 1<sup>st</sup>. All articles need to be sent to her by April 16<sup>th</sup>. She is resigning as editor of the newsletter at the end of the year.

**Calendars:** Sherwood stated that Sherrie needs pictures if we are going to have a calendar.

**Nominating Committee:** T. Pauley reported that the Nominating committee has two new possible Board members: David Rives and Chip Zimmerman.

#### **Old Business:**

**Pontoon Boat:** S. Zimmerman reported that he and Chip Zimmerman have located a two pontoon boats for the Association in Penhook. After negotiations the pontoon boat to be purchased is a 24 foot pontoon boat with a 90 hp motor for \$5,000.

**Motion:** *S. Zimmerman made a motion to allot up to \$5,000 to purchase a pontoon boat for the Leesville Lake Association. T. Pauley seconded. All approved by show of hands.*

M. Loiselle will check on the cost of insurance for the pontoon boat.

**New Business:** No new business.

**Adjournment:** S. Zimmerman asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:** *T. Pauley made a motion to adjourn the General Members meeting. F. Podrebarac seconded. All approved.*

The next meeting will be a Board Meeting, May 10, 2018 at the Altavista Library at 6:30 p.m.