

**Minutes of General Members Meeting,  
Leesville Lake Association, July 14, 2018, Leesville Lake Marina**

**AMENDED**

**Call to order:** President, Sherwood Zimmerman called the meeting to order.

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

**Absent:** Gerry Caprario

**There were 30 to 40 members present.**

After a great meal, prepared by Moonswiners, S. Zimmerman opened the meeting by thanking Chip and Lisa Zimmerman for hosting the Annual General Members Meeting at Leesville Lake Marina. He recognized Rob Gallimore with AEP and thanked Mr. Gallimore for meeting with him and Dave Rives.

**Agenda:** *T. Pauley made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the Debris Committee to the Committee Reports. All approved. Motion carried.*

**Minutes:** The minutes of the June 14th meeting will be voted on at the August 9<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary Loiselle reported by email that the Association is in good financial shape and next year's budget is based on the previous year's budget with no big changes. Invoices for dues for FY 2018/2019 are due by August 31, 2018. Any invoices not picked up at the meeting will be mailed next week. Payment may be made today for those who wish to do so.

**Motion:** *T. Pauley made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. D. Smith seconded. All approved. Motion carried.*

**Committee Reports:**

**Member Services:** The Association still needs a Membership Chairperson. Sherwood stated that there are several members but a Chairperson is still greatly needed.

**Newsletter:** F. Podrebarac reported that the next newsletter will be out around October 1st. All information and articles need to be submitted by August 15th. He stated that Barbara will be stepping down as editor the end of the year, so the Association needs someone to be editor of the newsletter. Frank asked that members send pictures of themselves with their Leesville Lake t-shirts while on vacation or while visiting other locations.

**Calendar:** Sherrie Beard thanked Pat Donahue of CRI for printing the calendars and giving us such a good price. She has the pictures and the calendar should be ready by the October General meeting. She announced that a sign-up sheet was at the items table.

**Navigational Aids:** Sherwood recognized Dick Donnelly, Gerry Caprario, and Joe Humphrey for their hard work on trying to meet the qualifications and getting the approval of three hazard markers. Dick Donnelly and Gerry Caprario have both stepped down from the committee. Joe Humphrey is staying on until the end of the year.

**Debris:** Jim Weiss thanked the Debris Committee: Randy Weiss, Jim and Wanda Riccione, Frank and Barb Podrebarac, Dave Rives, and Gary and Pam McMillan. He reported that the committee continues to be part of the monthly AEP inspection, reports, etc. Two executives from AEP came to our area

specifically to meet with one of our committee members. AEP stated that they will have a dedicated crew working on the lake on Tuesday through Friday on a 10 hour schedule. Also, a contractor will be moving onto the lake in the near future. They are continuing to work on the requests and communicating plans as well as Pigg River issues. Jim asks that everyone continue to report debris to TLAC and to the LLA Debris Committee.

**Water Quality:** Tony Capuco, chair of the Water Quality Committee along with Dave Waterman and Jim Weiss reported that along with the collaboration with Tom Shahady with the [University of Lynchburg](#) evaluates the quality of water in the lake twice per month. With the demo of the Pigg River Dam in 2017, there has been a large influx of sediment, bacteria, and debris presenting challenges to the health of our lake. In 2018, the lake has been healthy, with nutrient levels consistent with a maturing lake. Since the Pigg River has been providing an increase of bacteria over recent years, it has spurred the committee to increase monitoring and advocacy efforts. This is particularly important in lieu of the planned construction of the mountain valley pipeline that will cross the Pigg River. Currently there is a moratorium on construction. The committee is monitoring 13 sites along the Pigg River and 2 of its tributaries spanning a distance from LVL to Rocky Mount. Samples are collected twice per month and continue to refine the collection methods and strategies. The Committee aims to identify problem areas and likely point sources. The lake monitoring efforts have been supported by APCo and this past year's request for additional funding to monitor the Pigg River has been approved.

**Beautification Day:** Dannie Smith stated that the 2018 Beautification Day was not as good as last year. There were 50 to 60 people helping at the 4 dumpster sights. [Volunteers collected approximately 75 tons of debris and AEP reported collecting approximately 30 tons.](#)

**Safety:** In Gerry's absence, Frank reported to call Gerry for a vessel check. Also, the Life Jacket owner program was up and running at LVL Marina.

**Communications:** F. Podrebarac stated that he sends out an email blasts once a month. He and Richard Beaton are working on updating the website.

**TLAC:** Tracy Pauley reported that TLAC meets quarterly. At the June meeting, Larry [Jackson](#) with AEP stated that LVLA would have an answer concerning the shoal markers by July 31, 2018.

**Nominating:** Tracy Pauley reported that there are two candidates for directors. Chip Zimmerman and Dave Rives. There were no nominations from the floor.

**Motion:** *Sherrie Beard made a motion to accept the new nominees to serve on the Board. Blossom seconded. All approved.*

**Old Business:** S. Zimmerman informed the members that the LLA purchased a pontoon [boat](#) for [official](#) use by members along with a board member. Sign out sheets are at Leesville Lake Marina.

Tracy Pauley presented a plaque to Sherwood Zimmerman, president, past president, and Board member for more than 14 years of service to Leesville Lake Association.

**Adjournment :**

**Motion:** *The motion to adjourn was made by T. Pauley and seconded by Sherrie Beard.*

The next meeting will be a Board Meeting, August 9, 2018 at the Altavista Library at 6:30 p.m.