

**Minutes of General Members Meeting,
Leesville Lake Association, July 15, 2017, Leesville Lake Marina**

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

Present: R. Beaton, G. Caprario, P. Garlick, P. Kuhrtz, F. Podrebarac, D. Smith, S. Zimmerman,

Absent: M. Nolan,

There were 62 members present.

After a great meal, prepared by Moonswiners, S. Zimmerman opened the meeting by thanking the new owners of Leesville Lake Marina, Chip and Lisa Zimmerman for hosting the meeting. He recognized Pittsylvania County supervisor Jerry Haggerman and wife Linda.

Minutes: The minutes of the June 8th meeting were approved by all.

Motion: *F. Podrebarac made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2017 meeting. Tracy Gordan second.*

Treasurer's Report: M. Nolan provided the Treasurer's report by email. She is retiring at the end of her term, August 2017. S. Zimmerman reminded the members of the new due date for dues and that members may now pay safely online. P. Kuhrtz prepared and presented the proposed budget for 2017/2018 fiscal year.

Motion: *G. Caprario made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Julie Moore second. All approved.*

Motion: *Tracey Pauley made the motion to adopt the proposed budget for fiscal year 2017/2018 as submitted. D. Smith second. All approved.*

Committee Reports:

Member Services: There was no report in S. Harter's absence. S. Zimmerman did report that membership has dropped over the years from 332 to 280.

Newsletter: In B. Podrebarac's absence, F. Podrebarac reported that the next newsletter will be out the end of October. All information needs to be submitted by the end of August. The newsletter will be issued quarterly starting in 2018 with the February issue.

Calendar: Sherrie Beard has volunteered to put together the 2018 calendar. She had a sign-up sheet at the meeting for members wanting to pre-order. Calendars should be ready for pick-up by Labor Day. She stated that all pictures needed to be sent to her by July 31st. She has lined-up a printer for the calendars and stated that it would include all the important numbers LVLA members should need.

Navigational Aids: S. Zimmerman stated that the Navigational Aids committee, Joe Humphrey, Dick Donnelly, and Gerry Caprario have been diligently working on the Navigational Aids. LVL is putting in 3 different hazard markers in DGIF approved sites to see which ones work best. Six more markers will be in by next year.

Water Quality: In Tony Capuco's absence, P. Kuhrtz stated that the Water Quality committee is trying to test the water 2 to 3 times a month during the summer. Dr. Shahady with Lynchburg College is also testing for invasive plants. LVL doesn't have these invasive plants at this time partially due to the fluctuation of the water. T. Capuco and the Water Quality committee have partnered with a group from Ferrum College to help deal with the Pigg River.

Beautification Day: D. Smith stated that the 2017 Beautification Day was a success. There were 100 to 118 tons of debris collected in one day this year.

Debris: S. Zimmerman informed the members that a Debris committee has been formed. Members, Jim and Randy Weiss have volunteered to chair this committee.

S. Zimmerman reported that the equipment on the lake, provided for by AEP, is identical to that on SML. The new committee will be monitoring the use of the equipment. He informed the members that AEP gave \$25,000 to LVLA to hire Pete Cox to pick-up debris earlier this year before the new piece of equipment was brought over. He has repeatedly reminded AEP that LVL cannot be compared to SML and that we need a different type of equipment to pick-up debris.

Safety: G. Caprario provided some excellent safety tips for paddlecraft.

Communications: F. Podrebarac asked that members take their LVLA shirts with them on vacations and take pictures, sending them in for the newsletter. He stated he would be sending out weekly update emails to fill in between newsletters.

Nominating: P. Kuhrtz reported that 4 terms were up this year. R. Beaton, P. Garlick, P. Kuhrtz, and M. Nolan. Richard and Phyllis will serve another term. Pat and Margy will be resigning the end of August 2017. Tony Capuco, Dick Donnelly, Tracey Pauley, and J. W. Burton have agreed to serve on the Board. There were no nominations from the floor.

Motion: *Gerry Caprario made a motion to accept the new nominees to serve on the Board and to accept Richard Beaton and Phyllis Garlick serve another term. Julie Moore second. All approved.*

S. Zimmerman recognized Pat Kuhrtz for her service to the LVLA.

Old Business: S. Zimmerman informed the members that the new LVL maps were available. AEP has the patent and changes can be made at any time. There are 150 maps available for members free of charge.

Comments: Sam Skillman informed the members that there are no dock builders on Leesville Lake at this time. There is dock building equipment on the lake that is for sale. If anyone is interested or knows of anyone that is interested in purchasing the equipment, please contact him.

Adjournment :

Motion: *The motion to adjourn was made by G. Caprario and seconded by Tracey Pauley.*

The next meeting will be a Board Meeting, August 10, 2017 at the Altavista Library at 6:30 p.m.