

**Minutes of Board Meeting,  
Leesville Lake Association, August 10, 2017, Altavista Library**

**Call to order:** President, Sherwood Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

**Absent:** M. Nolan

**Committee Members Present:** J W Burton, Tony Capuco, Tracy Pauley, Barbara Podrebarac, Randy Weiss

**Quorum:** Yes

**Minutes:** The minutes of the July 15, 2017 annual meeting were approved by all.

**Motion:** *G. Caprario made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2017 meeting as submitted. Richard Beaton second.*

**Treasurer's Report:** M. Nolan provided the Treasurer's report by email.

**Motion:** *G. Caprario made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. F Podrebarac second. All approved.*

**Committee Reports:**

**Debris:** Committee chair, Jim Weiss, provided in writing his report, and announced that the committee had its first meeting July 20<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting the following was resolved:

1. In addressing AEP to improve debris removal, Safety must be emphasized first and foremost as the reason for immediate action.
2. The Debris Committee is using the Management Document as their most convincing source of action.
3. The Debris Committee will create its own website and email address for the purpose of collecting and conserving complaints/photos of lake debris.
4. Representatives from the Debris Committee will identify and meet with the appropriate AEP personnel to discuss the on-going process and any necessary changes for dealing with the debris.

The next Debris Committee meeting will be held on August 15<sup>th</sup>. The agenda will include finding residents who live at key points on the lake to view the barge activity.

J Weiss stated that after the committee sent out a letter to LLA members regarding why and how to report lake debris to TLAC and to the committee, AEP responded with various news articles and a segment on WSET. Also, since the letter, TLAC has received triple the amount of complaints in July and possibly for August. He reported that AEP has changed the schedule for the equipment to run Tuesday through Saturday until November.

**Member Services:** S Zimmerman asked for a consensus from the Board to ask the current Membership Committee chair, Sandra Harter to resign due to her absentee record. All approved.

**Water Quality:** T. Capuco provided in writing that on April 28<sup>th</sup>, following some heavy rains, e. coli concentrations exceeded state standards throughout most of the lake. Since that time, the elevated levels have not reoccurred. He stated that the levels have gotten worse over the last 2 years.

Charles Boaz is currently working to develop a bot to download the elevations of LVL so that we may begin a historical database and use the data for determining when to sample this to obtain data pertinent to the impact of water from the Pigg River and SML on water quality in LVL.

In the next month, the committee hopes to initiate repeated samples of the water to evaluate:

1. Impact of water movement on water quality in LVL
2. Survey of Pigg River and potential trouble spots.
3. Bacterial source tracking on water samples to determine the nature of bacterial contamination in the lake, ie. bovine, deer, pig, human, etc. Tracking 4 to 5 species costs \$500 to \$1,000.

**Safety:** G. Caprario stated he has inspected about 12 vessels through the Vessel Safety Check program. GIF reported that a "No Wake" buoy is missing from Old Woman's Creek. It is registered to a deceased, past member of the LVLA. S Zimmerman asked Gerry to try and contact his wife and let her know to contact GIF.

**Navigational Aids:** No Report. S Zimmerman stated that he had approximately 20 to 25 maps left out of the 150 provided by AEP at the Annual meeting. If anyone has any additions or corrections to the map please contact Sherwood.

**Beautification Day:** D. Smith stated that Beautification Day was extremely successful. The date for 2018 has been set for the second Saturday in June. S. Zimmerman stated that he has had several requests for LVLA to purchase a pontoon for picking up debris. He asked that the Board members bring back any information if a pontoon is found.

**Communications:** F. Podrebarac will email all members reminding them to make their payments by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Additional information suggested to post: info about reporting debris, water quality updates, and registering for the 2018 calendar. **Tracy, noted that you suggested having a referral addition but I didn't remember or note what that was about. Help me out please.** The web page needs updating. Please notify Frank or Richard with anything that needs changing or adding.

**Newsletter:** B. Podrebarac stated that the newsletter will be out October 1<sup>st</sup>. Deadline for articles is September 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Calendars:** S. Zimmerman reported that Sherrie had the calendar at the printers and should be ready by Labor Day.

**Old Business:** S. Zimmerman answered the question of LVL getting out of TLAC. He stated that the money from the counties is still needed and that the counties are still giving the funds to TLAC. TLAC did not meet in July and the August date was canceled.

#### **New Business:**

Election of Officers:

**President:** D. Smith made a motion to elect S. Zimmerman to be President. F. Podrebarac second. S. Zimmerman agreed to another term. All approved.

**Vice President:** P. Kuhrtz made a motion to elect Tracy Pauley to be Vice President. F. Podrebarac second. T. Pauley agreed to serve. All approved.

**Secretary:** F. Podrebarac made a motion to elect Phyllis Garlick to be Secretary. P Kuhrtz second. P. Garlick agreed to serve. All approved.

**Treasurer:** S. Zimmerman asked for a consensus that Linda Humphries be elected to the Board and be elected as Treasurer. All approved. Julie Moore and Margy Nolan will assist until a Treasurer can be appointed.

Membership Committee Chair is still open.

The roster will be updated.

Phyllis will put together a New Member Packet for the new Board members.

**Adjournment :**

***Motion: The motion to adjourn was made by G. Caprario and seconded by F. Podrebarac.***

The next meeting will be the September 14, 2017 at the Altavista Library at 6:30 p.m.