

**Minutes of Annual Meeting
Leesville Lake Association, July 18, 2015, Tri-County Marina**

Association President Bill Marshall called the meeting to order at 2:11 and welcomed the 96 people in attendance.

Marshall introduced the new member, the Board members, and the committee chairs. He named and thanked the sponsors. He also acknowledged and introduced special guests, Stan Goldsmith, Campbell County supervisor and first president of the Association, Jerry Hagerman, Pittsylvania County supervisor and TLAC board member, and Chris Dalton and his wife. Mr. Dalton is running for the Pittsylvania County supervisor position in the Staunton River District. Marshall also recognized Moonswiners for catering the event and Bob Rankin, the association's artist and designer of the artwork on our fabulous t-shirts. He reminded everyone that Bob was selling prints of the past and present year designs and donating all proceeds back to the association.

Marshall then asked for approval of the minutes of last year's meeting. On a motion by Sherwood Zimmerman, seconded by Pat Kuhrtz, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Marshall thanked the Financial Review Team for auditing the association's finances. He stated that the Association has \$140,000. Referring to the proposed 2015-2016 budget, Pat Kuhrtz, Treasurer reported the Association is under budget for 2014-2015. The biggest expense is to Lynchburg College. Bill reminded us that we would not receive grants in the future from three counties amounting to some \$18,000 due to the Association's membership in the Tri-County Lakes Administrative Commission (TLAC). He called for a motion to approve the 2016 budget. It was approved unanimously on a motion by Gerry Caprario and seconded by Tony Capuco.

Lou Revelle, vice president and chair of the Invasive Aquatic Vegetation Committee said monthly surveys have not change in 3 years, but Curly Leaf Pond Weed, an aggressive native plant is near Mile Marker 14 and below MM 9.

Mike Lobue, chair of the Water Quality Committee, reported that due to the joint effort with Lynchburg College, which is funded by AEP, demonstrated that the water quality complies with the State standards. Monitoring includes water quality trends which are stable. Compared with SML, the clarity in Leesville is less clear and we have more phosphorus and chlorophyll a. This fall there will be a joint meeting of the TLAC Leesville Lake and Smith Mountain Lake Environmental Committees to discuss the Pigg River Total Maximum Daily Load implementation plan. Representatives of the Soil and Water Conservation District and the Department of Conservation and Recreation will be invited to attend. In addition to monitoring water quality, our program monitors biological activity since water quality and biological activity go hand-in-hand. Mike answered several questions from members including internet services for the area. He stated that there is a petition drive to request to Shentel to come to the lake.

Gordy Bratz, chair of Communications, reported that the website upgrade should be complete by the end of the year. He informed the members that the newsletter costs \$1.15 and invites everyone to contribute to the newsletter. He reported that 375 boaters have completed the boating classes sponsored by the Association and the Coast Guard Squadron. The text has been drafted for the calendar and the map.

Leesville Lake Department Administrator with TLAC, Paula Shoffner, was introduced. She stated that 3 volunteers were needed for the navigation committee. She asked that reports of debris need to continue to be reported.

Sherwood Zimmerman, Association representative to TLAC, briefly explained what TLAC is and its purpose.

Laura Capuco, chair of the Member Services Committee said membership stands at 273. We have 10 new families and for the first half of the year, there is a 95% renewal rate.

Marshall stated that the main goal this year is to complete a new Leesville Lake Chart. He thanked Mike Lobue, Lou Revelle, and Gordy Bratz for the time and efforts. He reported that Pat Kuhrtz has volunteered to help Richard Beaton with the web design. Marshall also issued a special thanks to Julie Moore for all of her hard work and support over the years.

Marshall stated that Board members, Gordy Bratz, Richard Beaton, Ted Dragan, and Lou Revelle were up for re-election. He then asked for a motion to re-elect the latter. Sherwood Zimmerman moved to re-elect them; his motion was seconded by Gerry Caprario. Members voted unanimously for their re-election. Marshall then introduced Phyllis Garlick to be elected to the Board of Directors. Marshall asked for a motion to re-elect Garlick. Gordy Bratz moved to do so and Julie Moore seconded his motion. Marshall called for a vote. Members voted unanimously for her re-election.

Gerry Capario, past board member and member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Power Squadron, thanked everyone for supporting the Boating Safety Classes and informed everyone of the special things that the Power Squadron will assist with.

Marshall then asked for questions. There were none. He declared the agenda cleared and asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Mike Lobue and seconded by Lee Ducckwitz. All approved. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Garlick
Secretary