

LGA Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 8:30 am
Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, Littleton, NC

The meeting was called to order by Brian Goldsworthy @ 08:40 AM.

Directors in attendance: Brian Goldsworthy, John Cataldo, Carol Warfel, Jeff Zimmer, Eric Wooster, Anne Wood, Shannon McAllister, Judy Waters, Jane Stringer.

Also in attendance: John Franz, Lake Environment Co-chair, Pat Price, Safety Committee, Bob Allan

- Introductions were made “all around.”
- Brian representing the Nominating Committee presented to the board Jane Stringer as a fill-in to serve the remaining term of Lew, representing Mecklenburg County
- Approval of the agenda, motion made by Eric, second by Anne, passed.
- Approval of the May 31, 2023, meeting minutes, motion made by Eric, seconded by John, passed.

Review of Upcoming Membership Meetings/Guest Speakers:

- July 12th (later due to 4th holiday) - Water Safety Council and USCG Auxiliary Flotilla, Lewis on point
- August 2 - Adam Fields - Watersview Restaurant (downstairs with cash bar and dinner) advance reservations to Anne and funds to her by July 22nd, need attendance of 40 people, start 5:30- dinner at 6pm, speaker at 6:45; Brian on point.
- September - 5 County Sheriffs, Eric on point
- October – Fishery / NC Wildlife Commission-Kirk Rundle & David Belkoski, Jeff/Eric on point
- November - Littleton Veterans Museum and John 3:16 Toys, Brian/Shannon on point
- December - Year in Review Jeff & LCAC & John 3:16 Christmas toy drive

Other Future Speakers/Topic

- Trades/Vocational/Apprentice programs -HCC or VGCC, a VA CC-Judy
- Red Cross Disaster Relief-Pat Price
- AARP -other possible topics (see Carol’s email 5/31/23)
- QRR- CoE, Nature Conservancy (summer meet)
- Economic Development- Charla Duncan with Warren County and Franklin Williams with Northampton County, underserved internet service -John C
- Virginia Beach water withdraw operations.
- Dominion-introduce Bubba.

Old & New Business

- **Treasurer** report - Anne provided the YTD through May report including CD details, Anne stated that the revenue cycle is over, there is a \$6k shortfall (revenue vs. projected expenses) she recommended we redeem the \$20k CD which matures this July. Motion was made by Eric, seconded by John, motion passed.
- **Membership/Renewal Status** – Brian reviewed the numbers, stated a long term goal of 5000 members, follow up invoices by mail was effective, will do earlier next year. 96% household renewal rate was strong relative to historic 90%

- ★ **M&M** need to staff Littleton Festival on Saturday 9/2 with 2/3 folks continuously, will use Aquatic veg show & tell, story board, Water Quality & survey info. Work continues on ppt, Brian will demo at next board meeting, used as an LGA marketing tool and for mentoring, new members from Dec 1- May 1 will be assigned mentors. Eric will send out the ppt, ask for additional edits, and target date of Sept 1 to present to new members. Bev will provide a list of the new members.
- ★ **Lake Envir**- survey plans are beginning, John F. has scheduled a meeting with Jessica to go over next steps, next committee meet will cover more details, i.e. Training, equipment.
- ★ **Safety**- Warren County youth fire camp was held last week, we provided financial support and partnered with Safety Council and Coast Guard Aux on a safety presentation. Looking at Project Lifesaver to help locate missing persons.
- ★ **Lake Clean up**-focus on educating the general public, looking for a new chairperson.
- ★ **Govt Relations**- planning underway for candidate forums Mecklenburg & Brunswick Counties, Sept 16th &? ,need 10 folks, Eric will help ID a good speaker system to purchase, still considering a Nov school superintendent forum, Short term rentals (SRT) write-up under review to raise-awareness/educate homeowners-responsibility.
- Social Media update Bev stated we have 473 followers on Facebook, 1800 bulletins emailed out, and +/-50% are being opened. Brian stated that LeAnne can tell us stats on Chamber web site.
- Board members whose term expires end of this month and are willing to remain as directors; Brian (3rd term ends 6/2026) and Jeff (2nd term ends 6/2026)
- Brian presented a slate of Officer candidates for nomination and election: Jeff for Pres. motion made by Brian and seconded by Anne; Eric for VP, Jeff made motion and seconded by John; Motion made by Brian for Anne as Treasurer, second by Eric; motion made by Brian for Judy as Secretary, second by Shannon, discussion followed where-in Judy declined; Pat stated she was willing to serve , Brian made a motion for Pat as Secretary, second by Eric. The slate of nominees was presented and a motion to vote made by Eric, second by Carol; vote was taken and slate was approved
- Zoom or Google for LGA 101 – motion was made to renew Zoom for one year (July to July) by Jeff, second by Anne and approved.
- Ad hoc committee to document recent LGA history. Judy agreed to be project lead. Objective is to update the current history in the Director’s Handbook bringing it up to date.
- Strategic Planning Retreat- best to be held offsite, we identified Jan week of 15th as a good time. Anne provided Jeff a contact for a possible facilitator. Jeff to follow up.
- Other Business-Halifax County weed council funding, Judy & John to draft letter
- Motion to adjourn by Eric, second by Jeff at 10 :55 AM

DRAFT AGENDA for upcoming

LGA Monthly Membership Meeting
Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome
Pledge of Allegiance
Intro Speaker/Presentation
Questions for Speaker
Announcement(s) of upcoming LGA activities
Issues/Concerns by membership
Adjourn