

August 5, 2015 LGA Monthly Meeting Minutes (approved)

Lake Gaston Baptist Church, Hwy 903, Littleton, North Carolina

President Bill Heflin conducted the welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, moment of silence and member/visitor introductions. Turnout was good with press coverage.

Member Bruce Johnson gave a brief overview of the ongoing water clarity survey and some of the results. Member Al Potter provided an overview of the E. Coli testing being performed around the lake by LGA members. No significant readings of E. Coli have surfaced. This is good news. We need to keep monitoring, though to make sure a source doesn't arise. Member Bruce Johnson provided an overview of the upcoming LGA aquatic plant survey. It is the 10th year of this activity. Training sessions are scheduled for 8/20 and 8/23, 9:30 a.m. at his house. Alternate individual make-up sessions are also possible. Surveying will begin 9/1 and end 10/31. Bruce also introduced the new tablet computers we will be using that replace the antiquated handheld devices previously used to record the plant survey data. They should be much easier to use and more reliable.

Acting Secretary Don Carson asked for and received a motion to approve the July 2015 monthly meeting minutes, which was passed. Treasurer Jack Saunders presented the treasurer's report which was accepted by the directors. Bill Heflin brought the membership up to date on the status of the Marketing and Membership committee activities, including the new HOA group membership program. Al Potter made a motion to extend the HOA program a second year. John Cataldo seconded and it was passed.

President Bill Heflin mentioned that the Directors would be contacting those who indicated a willingness to volunteer in the recent LGA survey to let them know how they may contribute to our efforts.

Wrapping up the meeting, Vice President Mazine Lowe invited the audience to submit any topics they would like to address, in future meetings. Environmental Committee Wally Sayko introduced our youngest volunteer, Ashely Wiggins and noted that if you see a buoy out of place, check to see if there is a phone number on it. Call that number to have it repositioned. He and John Cataldo are responsible for the buoys in Brunswick Co. Va. Lastly, Bill Heflin answered a question from the audience about the current status of the uranium mining issue and noted that a request has gone to the Corps of Engineers for a significant Inter Basin Transfer (of water) to Raleigh, but we have no knowledge of it having moved beyond that. He will keep us posted as we find out more.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Submitted by;

Don Carson / Acting Secretary