

May 6, 2015 LGA Monthly Meeting Minutes (approved) **Lake Gaston Baptist Church, Hwy 903, Littleton, North Carolina**

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

Recently elected Halifax County Commissioner Patrick Qualls introduced himself to the membership and outlined challenges and opportunities in the county.

Member Bruce Johnson gave a brief overview of the upcoming LGA aquatic plant survey.

Jeff Dowhan gave a brief history involving a group of members who have expressed an interest and have concerns regarding area school districts. A motion was made and approved, by the directors, to form an LGA Educational Committee, chaired by Jeff Dowhan.

President Al Potter introduced guest speakers; Dr. Stelfanie Williams, Vance Granville Community College; Dr. Ervine Griffin, Halifax Community College and Dr. Alfred Roberts, Southside Community College. Each speaker outlined the structural makeup of their school, as well as what educational benefits it brings to the region. Of interest was the fact that Community Colleges in Virginia are more centrally controlled and appear to individually cover a larger square mile area. School representatives also distributed handouts to the membership.

Secretary Tony Moran asked for and received a motion to approve the April 2015 monthly meeting minutes.

Treasurer Jack Saunders presented the treasurer's report which was accepted by the directors. Also, as chair of the Public Safety Committee, he discussed the recently completed shredding event, which had a record turnout.

Marketing & Membership Chair Bill Heflin brought the membership up to date on the success of the HOA program.

Environment Committee Chair Wally Sayko discussed upcoming e-coli testing and aquatic plant survey projects and the need for volunteers. Earlier, member Bruce Johnson outlined a water clarity test procedure and also asked for volunteers.

Finally, President Al Potter reminded all of the LGA sponsored Lake Cleanup project on May 30th, as well as the LGA annual meeting on June 13th.

As there were no other issues brought forward, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by;

Tony Moran