

LAKE MURRAY ASSOCIATION MINUTES
MARCH 12, 2007

Ken Fox, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.
Ralph Crafton began with a prayer.

The minutes were read and approved as written.

Tom Ruple discussed the Treasure's Report. He noted we received a \$100 contribution. Further note was that we are seeing good results from a reminder notice sent out to those who had membership due in March. We have a balance of \$12,880.99. The treasurer's report was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

First Annual Golf Tournament: Presentation of budget and ideas by David Kinard, Ralph Crafton, Louise Love

- 1) The date is September 17 at Timberlake Country Club. It is a Captain's Choice/ Four Person Team format using a Shotgun start. It is a \$50.00 fee that entitles you to green fees, cart rental, Bloody Murray Party and Awards Party.
- 2) An outline of needs was presented concentrating on everyone securing sponsorships from the Corporate level to securing gifts to use as prizes or as auction items.
- 3) Southern Patriot has donated a complete cruise- may be an auction item.
Ed Thomas will contact Jim Hudson.
Ralph Crafton is working on Breakfast and Coffee Package from Bomb Island Grill.
Jay Schabacker has connections in securing coffee and BMW.
David Kinard is working to get B106 as a sponsor.
- 4) All were assigned to bring back 5 sponsors by the next meeting. Ralph handed out phone book pages to aid in securing sponsors.
- 5) Louise discussed ideas and scenarios.
- 6) A brochure will be developed for the Golf Tournament. No rain date is proposed.

Tour of Homes: Presented by Ginny Landis

- 1) Four homes have been secured for the tour to date: Fields, Balisch, Murrell and Ready. Ginny has previewed the Field's home and found it to be exceptionally beautiful. The owner is both excited and proud to be on the tour.
- 2) Request was made for Committee help: (email Ginny with the area you will help)
She needs this all finalized within 2 weeks.
Boat Captains: Rich Kidder
Dock Hands: Dave Landis
Tour Guide Volunteers: (need 4- 6 per home)
Pine Island Volunteers:
 - Sign In Table:
 - Snack Person:

Recording Secretary- Pat Wendling

2. Nominations were accepted with no added names and all were approved. Bill is also looking for new directors to be put on a ballot in the Lake-Link this month. These are names he has secured to date:
 - Curtis Hipp will be returning happily. Our good thoughts and prayers have sustained him for his recovery.
 - Tom Ruple and Bill East will remain on the Board.
 - Stan Jones of Lighthouse Marina
 - Teresa Milne
 - Sharon Miles
 - Tom Williams
3. Bill East will have a biographical sketch on each new nominee for the board in by March 22. We will then vote via email at that time. Another “new person” may join us in December.

Dock Signs: Louise Love was presented with the honor and duty of being in charge of Dock Signs from now on. Please direct all calls and information to her 781-6536 or louisey@mcecoop.com.

4H20 Program: Presented by Rich Kidder

1. Rich advised the program would now be 5 full days with kids between 10-12 years of age and held at the south end of the dam. The date will be early June. The fee is \$100/ student and 4-H will be in charge more than DHEC this year.
2. He will need to supply (3) pontoon boats to be used for 2 days with the kids. (It will be Mon/ Thurs, but can be changed to Tues/ Friday if needed.)
3. Ideas for places to go are needed. Please advise any thoughts you have. Preliminary ideas include: The Sheriffs Dept. boats, Depth Sounder to locate underwater bridge, Bomb Island with history of the lake.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Environmental: Presented by Roy Parker

1. Roy thanked Ken Fox, Chuck and Bob Anderson for picking up and distributing the Wood Duck Boxes for him.
2. Thanks also went to Ralph Crafton and Harry Wimberly for erecting a wood duck box for a disabled veteran. The gentleman was thrilled. Would like to have an article done on this good deed and vet.
3. Roy was asked to speak at a Rotary Club with 84 distinguished persons in attendance. He was well received and he handed out membership brochures. He felt this was positive publicity for LMA.

Government Liaison: Presented by Joy Downs

1. Joy had the distinct pleasure of assessing 400 pieces of SCE&G undeveloped property and to assess its value from a Natural Resource point of view. The rating system was from 1-5 (5 being the best.). It will again be assessed from an economic point of view before determining which perspective provides the most value. It was an interesting and challenging day.

Publicity: Presented by Chuck Wimberly.

1. He and Ed Schnepel will be working on advertising the Lexington Meeting on April 24th. They are working to get articles into the Lake Murray Magazine, newspapers, and on WIS noon programs. He was encouraged to continue with a job well done.

Membership: Presented by Ralph Crafton

1. Ralph has struck a reciprocal deal with the Lexington Chamber of Commerce. LMA is now an official member of that chamber and they are official members of LMA. He will continue to try to “sweeten” the deal by getting donations for the golf tournament etc.
2. Bomb Island Grill is now a corporate sponsor thanks to Ralph’s hard work. They will be participating in the Golf Tournament as well.
3. Decals to give to members need to be re-ordered. We will be re-ordering 5000 of them thru Allegra Printing. We want the stickers to stick to the inside of a window. We will mention that if they are displayed on boats and boater needs help on the lake; an LMA member will help another member in distress.

Newsletter: Presented by Bob Keener

1. Bob gently reminded that all turn in their articles to him by the 16th-extensions go until next Tuesday, if needed. He has to put in a ballot and needs time to get them done.

Other: No other formal reports

1. Reminder of the meeting at Lexington High School on April 24th. It will feature Jon Quebbeman and possibly Ann Marie Johnson. Y’all need to be there!!!
2. Kemble Oliver will help Jay Schabacker develop a spreadsheet/chart showing water level in Lake Murray over a period of time.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15. Thanks to all who participated.