



**LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MINUTES of 9-10-16**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mason, at 8:00 A.M.

**A. Attendance:**

Present: Chairman Scott Mason, Debbie Ferrari, Jack Sorenson, Don Sukala, Peter Van Kampen, and Rick Callaway were present. Greg Wisniewski was travelling and excused.

**B. Agenda:**

The agenda was approved, on a Sorenson / Ferrari motion and passed unanimously.

**C. Minutes:**

The minutes of August 13, 2016 were unanimously approved on a Van Kampen / Sukala motion with Ferrari wording changes.

**D. Election of Officers:**

A Calloway / Van Kampen motion to elect Scott Mason as Chairman, Debbie Ferrari as Treasurer and Jack Sorenson as Secretary passed unanimously.

**E. Consider Position on Annual Fireworks:**

Chairman Mason explained that he talked to Reid Patterson Commodore of the Yacht Club about the fireworks. The Yacht Club has been paying for site preparation and clean-up before and after the fireworks. Mason proposed that the District take on the costs of that site prep and clean-up for the future. Also, the only complication that we experienced this year was that people started going out on the golf course as early as 7:00 p.m. to prepare for the 9:30 show, which interrupted Twilight play at the golf course. He proposed that in the future, the golf course not offer Twilight play, that the last tee time would be 5:00 p.m. and the Lake District would absorb that loss of revenue.

Discussion: The prep / clean-up work is done in-house – the golf course currently does the site prep and clean-up. The revenue loss that evening is not that great – it is simpler to close the course down earlier than to have security keeping people off the course.

A Ferrari / Sorenson motion for the Lake District to absorb the cost of site prep, clean-up and lost revenue from closing the golf course early passed unanimously.

The Yacht Club will need to provide their insurance certificate each year for final approval.

**F. Consider Establishing a Golf Course Oversight Committee**

Chairman Mason explained that he would like to re-establish a golf course oversight committee with participation from district residents. Mason will chair the committee, there will be a maximum of seven people on the committee which will include a mix of golfers and non-golfers, and the committee will work similarly to the Water Safety Committee in that it will be advisory in nature. Chris White will sit on the committee as a non-voting member just like Ken Blanke sits on the Water Safety Committee as a non-voting member.

A Sorenson / Van Kampen motion to re-establish a Golf Oversight Committee passed unanimously.

**G. Project Reports**

**Dam:** Sorenson reported that the dam will be undergoing renovations to improve safety. A contractor and grant are lined up. We are working with the DNR, and are hoping that that work can be done this Fall. The culverts are working well.

**Insurance:** Sorenson reported that there aren't any changes to insurance.

**Piers:** Van Kampen reported that the Terry Pier was installed this week. It is 104 feet long and floating. There are posts in the ground to provide stability, but not support. The pier will be pulled out each year. It is at the edge of the navigation channel.

**Septic:** Everything running smoothly.

**County:** Calloway had nothing new to report.

**Water Safety Patrol:** Ferrari reported that we had 7 OWIs for the year. Things are slowing down. Lakeland School had a learn to ski event on Thursday, so there was an extra patrol to support that. One of the boats is out of the water to replace the engine block. The WSP will be patrolling through the end of October, weather permitting. Sukala pointed out that the Town will be removing the secondary buoys, but that the primary buoys will remain in the water. The boat house has a number of items in it – people should place their LL numbers on items. Ferrari noted that the WSP will return “renegade” items that it finds when LL numbers are noted on them.

**Town of LaGrange:** Sukala reported that the Town is working with the DNR and is hoping to complete the dredging of the boat house, and the area around the Lauderdale Landing this Fall. The work is expected to be about \$24,000 for the three properties. If it can't get done this fall, they will push it off until early Spring.

**Golf Course:** Mason reported that LLCC is doing fine. It looks like we will finish the year in good shape. There haven't been any significant equipment repairs needed. He expects the Golf Course Committee to begin work this Fall.

**Emergency Response on the Water:** Mason reported that he received a communication from a lake district resident who assisted someone with a medical issue on the water. There was confusion about where the EMT response should be on land. Mason has spoken to the sheriff, and they are trying to figure out what makes the most sense for emergencies occurring on the water. The LL numbering system will never be adopted by the EMS/911 system. When calls come in, any vehicle on patrol gets a Google Map of the location on their computer – this is being implemented by the volunteer firemen on their phones as well. We are exploring the idea of having locations periodically around the lake that would have their locations (LL number) correlate to physical addresses that could pop up on a Google Map. He is working with the sheriff and the Town on this too. The idea could possibly be implemented county-wide, since other lakes have the same issue. Ferrari noted that the WSP is conversant with LL numbers and could be helpful in that regard.

**Aquatic Plant Management:** Wisniewski sent Mason a report: As is typical this time of year, we are seeing immense growth. They are trying to keep up and will finish a complete cutting of the lake before we shut down at the end of the month. We had a breakdown this week; the front roller that feeds the conveyor belt failed and the equipment was down for the better part of Tuesday. Harvesting tonnage has been about typical this year. We don't anticipate any major repairs over the winter, and we will be completing general maintenance before the equipment is put away.

**F. Treasurer's Report:**

Ferrari reported on current account balances. Current Accounts: \$365,959.65. Reserve Accounts: \$285,962.82. The District recently received the final installment of the property tax distribution from the Towns of LaGrange and Sugar Creek.

**G. Other Business:**

Van Kampen noted that the impact of wake boarding boats was brought up at the annual meeting, and that a study was being completed at Big Cedar Lake – should we participate in this? Ferrari indicated that she has spoken to Roger Walsh about this, and that they are exploring a process to look into this issue because they are having concerns about shoreline degradation. Mason noted that we need to keep in touch with Roger on this.

Dick Mickulecky presented a list of his complaints about the golf course.

The next LLLMD Board meeting will be held October 8, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

There was a question about wake boarding / surfing on Don Jean Bay and whether it could be restricted to areas of the lake where the water is deep enough for it to actually work. The Lake District can't write ordinances, the best place to pursue that would be with the Town of LaGrange. The DNR determines how different classes of items will be treated. The jet propulsion devices, for example, are classified differently by the DNR than other vessels like PWCs, sailboats, pontoons, etc. This might be a matter of education – letting people know how it works and that deeper water is required. An

article written by someone with some expertise – LAS, the Boat House might be a good way to educate people.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 a.m. on a Van Kampen / Sorenson motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Andrea White.