

# LAKE ANNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Orange County Office Building  
112 West Main Street, Orange, VA. 22960  
MEETING MINUTES – September 23, 2020

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## **DETERMINATION AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman McCotter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Chris McCotter, Chair; Dick Shrum, Treasurer; Jim White; Jeff Palmer; Ann Melle; Sarah Marshall; Kevin Marshall\*; Robert Egan\*; and Susan Turner, Orange County Committee Secretary.

*\*Mr. Marshall and Mr. Egan arrived at 7:03 p.m.* Absent: Duane Adams.

## **CITIZEN'S INFORMATION PERIOD**

Mr. Greg Baker, President of LACA, provided an update for the Lake Anna Civic Association which included the following: approval of LAAC funding request for Phase 1 of a comprehensive study of HAB's in the amount of \$10,000, contingent upon completion and availability of the final reporting for the study; lifting of the VDH no swim advisories on all but one section of the lake; and proposed concept of floating wetlands.

Mr. David Hunter, of Hunter Properties, provided an update regarding the planned development, Point Seanna in Spotsylvania County and associated concerns with run off. He noted plans to install a berm to alleviate potential issues and answered questions regarding the differences between a drain field vs alternate system.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. McCotter requested the July 22, 2020 minutes be struck from the agenda, noting that they were previously adopted. He indicated that the correct set of minutes, from the August 26, 2020 meeting, would be presented for adoption at the next meeting.

By consensus, approval of the July 22, 2020 minutes was struck from the agenda.

## **BILLS FOR REIMBURSEMENT**

There were no bills for reimbursement at this time.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Shrum distributed the Treasurer's Report to the Committee and provided a brief summary of the following: interest earned on CD's; YTD balances of the checking account and CD's; correction made on interest rate of one of the CD's; Budget and Expenses balances; recent expenditures; and proposed funding request presentation to each locality.

Mr. McCotter thanked Mr. Shrum for the update.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **DISCUSSION OF HYDRILLA TREATMENTS**

Mr. John Casale, Environmental Subcommittee Chair, provided an update on hydrilla treatments completed this year, which included the following: the successful treatment of 15 acres at Freshwater Cove; potential need to treat Freshwater Creek next year; proposed preemptive treatments in the flats to deter future outbreaks in the coves; hydrilla concerns received from residents; and a request to review and improve application procedures for next year.

Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding: clarification of the recommended preemptive treatment; the most appropriate time to begin the planning process; and potential for improving the treatment process.

**DISCUSSION OF ALGAE RFP**

John Casale, Environmental Subcommittee Chair, explained that the algae RFP contract was awarded to SOLitude Lake Management at a negotiated rate of \$48,500. He noted that the contract was under internal review by SOLitude and the terms included three (3) quarterly reports, a draft final report, and a final report.

Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding: possibility of a phased payment plan, the approval of a budgeted amount up to \$52,000; thoughts on funding; payment due dates; term dates for the study set for Oct 1, 2020 through Sept 30,2021; suggestion to complete a treatment of Phase 1 area; Phase 2 next steps; and proposed grant funding opportunities.

**DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING**

The next LAAC Meeting will be held in Louisa County on December 2, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Further discussion ensued among the Committee regarding: funding requests for next budget year; questions and concerns regarding tow zones; and request for each Committee member to present two good ideas at the next LAAC meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion and Vote:** Mr. Marshall made a motion, seconded by Ms. Melle to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 8-0. Absent: Duane Adams.

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**Susan Turner, Orange County Secretary**

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**Date**