

**BELLA VISTA VILLAGE LAKES JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES, July 20, 2016**

**Committee Members in Attendance:** Kelly Austin, Bill Barry, Ron Blackwelder, Matt Champagne, John Doyle (President), Lloyd Walker (Secretary), Rick Yorman (Vice President)

**Bella Vista POA Board Liaisons in Attendance:** John Nuttall and Tom Judson, COO

**Management Liaisons in Attendance:** Mike Taggart, Rick Echols, John Urquhart

**Guests Present:** Lynn Atkins (Weekly Vista), Marvin Macedo, Gary Pinkerton

**Call to Order:** John Doyle called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Seven committee members were present.

**Additions/deletions to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the published agenda.

**Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the June 15, 2016 Lakes' JAC meeting were approved as submitted.

**Management Comments:**

**1) Mike Taggart – Lakes and Parks**

- Loch Lommond Fishing Dock - Mid September to complete project, close to finalizing contract now. Still need to clear some trees, etc. Will also get replacement deck tiles.
- Rick Echols will now be the new Lakes, Parks and Fisheries Superintendent, John Urquhart will be the assistant Superintendent.
- Ranger candidates are being interviewed to fill vacancies, still looking at how to spread the hours among the staff.
- Discussion about how to allow any POA member to identify themselves as a member possibly using automobile stickers similar to boat stickers.

**2) Rick Echols - Lakes, Parks and Fisheries Superintendent**

John Urquhart - Lakes, Parks and Fisheries Assistant Superintendent

- Getting lots of reports about saugeye being caught on Lake Windsor. These hybrids were previously stocked, and they are being caught in pretty good numbers. Since we

have walleye stocked, we are proposing a 2 fish / day, 20" minimum saugeye or walleye to protect the brood stock. Rick Yorman moved to accept recommendation and Bill Barry seconded. Discussion clarified why we do this now, to get the habits formed since walleye will get that big in 2 years. Motion carried.

- Water sampling continues, all lab work is done in house now so we are completely self sufficient.
- Sampled Tanyard Creek on June 22 to fill out our part of the grant. This is to demonstrate that we didn't disturb the aquatic environment during construction. We may have found a rare crayfish, which would be good for our grant
- Placed a mot bag in Lake Rayburn on Wednesday. This is a fish attractor. Fly Tyers cost shared on this.
- Walleye are 3.5" and Crappie are 4.5".
- 396 members used Gun Range in June
- 479 guest contacts for the Rangers
- Question about why we aren't seeing schooling bass as much this year. This isn't the preference for Largemouth Bass feeding, so this shouldn't be a concern.
- Question about how sampling is going. We have some holes in participation each week, but need to continue through September.
- Goose capturing got 26, mostly due to them having flight feathers
- Discussion about fish stocking and how we come up with the choice of lake to stock. Smaller lakes that we could realistically re-capture. Windsor 10K, Avalon 10K and Norwood 5K.
- Clarified that we can email lake reports to the BVV Lakes JAC list.

#### **POA Board Member Liaison Comments:**

- None

#### **Open Forum:**

- None

**Old Business:** The Lakes Committee volunteered 50 hours since their last meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

1. Loch Lommond fishing dock update - covered in management comments
2. POA Budget - the following items were discussed as "food-for-thought" for the committee to develop a list of projects for the upcoming year:
  - a. Windsor dam dock improvements - proposing expanding docks so they are more useful for fishing.
  - b. Windsor common ground improvements - discussion about common property and what expectations neighboring property owners should have.
  - c. Fish grinder project - Fly Tyers researched and facilitated collecting information for the grinders. Fly Tyers are only providing information, and do not endorse or

financially support this project. They were just in the right place at the right time to contribute a little information. D

- d. Sitting benches on Windsor Dam
- e. Lake Norwood park improvements

**New Business:**

1. Wake boat usage - The POA was contacted about wake boats on Lake Windsor. The concern was about shoreline erosion and whether we should consider banning use of Wake Boats. The committee will research the issue to better understand the problem and determine if any action would be appropriate.
2. University of Arkansas Fishing Team - tabled until the next meeting.
3. Question from guest about rule regarding whether or not boat maintenance is allowed. They were told it wasn't allowed any longer. The committee will do some research to find out whether it is true.
4. Second question was about moss in Loch Lommond. The Biologists monitor this and sometimes are able to treat if conditions warrant it.

**Announcements and next meeting:**

- The next Lakes' JAC meeting will be held at the Bella Vista Village Country Club Board Room at 2 pm on Wednesday, August 17th, 2016.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 3:30p.