

BELLA VISTA VILLAGE LAKES JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES August 15,2018

Committee Members in Attendance: Matt Champagne (Chairman), Kelly Austin (Vice Chair), Paul Bickford (Secretary), Marvin Macedo, Harrold Robinson, Gracie Turley, Lloyd Walker.

Bella Vista POA Board Liaisons in Attendance: Tom Judson, Leia Bush, Jerry Hover

Management Liaisons in Attendance: Rick Echols

Guests Present: Several POA members

Call to Order: Matt Champagne called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Seven committee members were present.

Additions/deletions to the Agenda: None

Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the June 20, 2018 Lakes' JAC meeting were approved as submitted.

Management Comments:

1) Rick Echols - Lakes, Parks and Fisheries Superintendent -

- Water sampling continues at each lake
- Downstream from Lake BV E. coli levels are way over the maximum of 127
- Treated both the Country Club and Scottsdale ponds
- The largemouth bass diet study continues
- Winsor lake shad spawn was good
- Water quality sampling results will soon appear on the website
- There is a moderate “striper” population in the larger lakes?
- Struggling with control of Loch Lomond algae in places. Next year, plan to add more grass carp to help control it.
- Both Rayburn and Loch Lomond were fertilized in July
- Plans are underway to “cover” uncovered Winsor Lake boat slips, so they are like those on Loch Lomond
- Lake wall inspections will occur during the Winsor drawdown
- Lake Rangers made 4649 guest contacts of which 669 were with boaters
- Damaged buoys will be repaired, and missing ones replaced
- Lake Avalon Beach E. coli levels are down to 7.3 from 13.4 which is way below 127
- Warning or “nasty” letters will be sent to boat owners with “non-current year” stickers
- It was suggested that neglected, and/or abandoned boats in severe disrepair with delinquent stickers may be removed from lakes and donated to charity

POA Board Member Liaison Comments:

1) Tom Judson, General Manager

- Efforts are underway to form a super committee consisting of Board Members plus two members from each of the major POA components; therefore, Tom requested representation from the Lakes JAC.
- Purpose: to improve communications and cooperation within major POA components on future POA issues and projects e.g., converting Berksdale golf course into a park.
- Representative Marvin Macedo and Matt Champagne volunteered to represent the Lakes JAC.

Old Business: The members of the Lakes Committee volunteered 22 hours since their last meeting on July 18, 2018.

New Business:

- Gracie met with the Community Involvement Community JAC aka CIC and brought her notes on the 8-2-18 meeting, which were focused on the need to control or police the small minority of misbehaving teenage dependents, and the need to limit the number of guests from “unlimited” to 3 or 4.
- The CIC was hopeful changes could be made, therefore, Tom requested suggestions be submitted to the Board prior to the October meeting. He further added, no changes would be made until sometime in 2019.
- Gracie will meet with Bella Vista police in late August/early September to get their perspective and input on the proposed solution.

Open Forum:

- Judy Wilson of 52 Churchill Lane, spoke about the need to specify size limits on recreational boats on “wake” lakes due to issues of large wakes and difficulty of policing existing policies and rules.
- Keith Jester expressed the need to protect the recreational boating privileges provided on the big lakes and reminded folks these features and capabilities were reasons many families chose to live in BV.

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, September 19th, 2018.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:00p.