

Bella Vista POA JAC Lakes Committee

March 8, 2023

Country Club Boardroom

2:00 pm

Chairman: Matt Champagne

Vice Chairman: Arell Wasson

Secretary: Carol Phillips

Committee Members: Michael Coughlin, Scott Sborov, Carol Phillips, Arell Wasson, Ross Gerner, Grace Turley, Paul Bickford, Kelly Austin, Matt Champagne.

POA Board Liaisons: Jerre Barron, Jr., Sandy Fosdick.

Committee called to order at 2:00pm.

Approval of previous meeting minutes.

Lakes and Fisheries Superintendent Rick Echols addressed the Lake Avalon drawdown which has been extended to March 13. POA projects during the drawdown include removal of the gravel bar near the boat ramp, stump removal, riprap added to Spurgeon Creek and the beach side of the lake area to reduce erosion. Compacted, decomposing leaves were removed from the east side of Lake Avalon at the dam area. Work will also be done on the Lake Avalon spillway. At Lake Rayburn, grounds maintenance personnel cleared the overflow. A kayak rack was added to Lake Ann. 5 staff members completed prescribed burn training to better manage grass covered POA Lake dams. Aquaculture pond construction is proceeding. On April 15, 2023 from 10am to 2pm, an open house will be held by Lakes and Parks for tours of aquaculture ponds.

Trey Anson from the POA Marina, announced that the marina will open for the season on April 1. Hours are 8am to 2pm, Tuesday through Thursday and 8am to 5pm Friday, Saturday and Sunday. On Memorial Day summer hours will be in effect.

Boat registrations for the year are due March 31.

Next meeting is April 12, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 2:28pm.