**Minutes of General Members Annual Meeting ,**

**Leesville Lake Association, July 13, 2019, Leesville Lake Marina**

**Call to order:** 1:40 p.m. by President, Dave Rives. He announced for all members to sign in and to pick up the invoices for their dues.

**Board Members Present:**  J. W. Burton, Gerry Caprario, Phyllis Garlick, Tracy Pauley, Frank Podrebarac, Dave Rives, Dannie Smith, Chip Zimmerman

**Board Members Absent:** Richard Beaton, Tony Capuco, Mary Loiselle

**Members Present:** 64 members were present including Board Members.

Dave called for a Moment of Thankfulness before the meal, prepared by Wise Catering. After the meal, he acknowledged the Board of Directors and had them introduce themselves.

**Election of Officers:** Tracy reported that the terms for Richard Beaton, Phyllis Garlick, Mary Loiselle, J. W. Burton, Tony Capuco, Gerry Caprario, and himself expire the end of August 2019. All directors agreed to serve for another term. Joe Humphrey and Dave Waterman agreed to serve on the Board. After no nominations from the floor, the motion was made to accept Joe Humphrey and Dave Waterman as members of the Board of Directors.

***Motion: Tracy made a motion to accept the nominations of Joe Humphrey and Dave Waterman to the Board and to accept the Directors that agreed to serve another term. Elaine Burton seconded. All approved.***

**Treasurer’s Report:** In Mary’s absence, Dave reported that the Association has a significant budget of $67,000. A request has been submitted for an increase for Beautification Day. Due to a lower volume in calendar sales, the budget was adjusted to $700. The budget for the newsletter was decreased thanks to Randy Weiss who is preparing a digital version and sending it electronically.

***Motion: Tracy made the motion to approve the 2019-2020 budget as submitted. Frank seconded. All approved.***

**Update on Bylaw Changes:** Dave informed the members that the Executive Committee reviewed the Bylaws and made the decision to update them. He went over the changes and advised everyone to go to the website to review them.

**Committee Reports:**

**Beautification Day:** Dannie reported that twice as much debris was removed from the lake this year as in years past. Over the three days of collecting there were 87 volunteers to sign up along with the 7 AEP crew members. There was over 66 tons of debris collected.

**Communications:** The new webmaster, Dave Waterman, shared info about the new electronic newsletter. He stated that the website has been updated. Dave reported that Frank has been sending the email blasts and working on the Facebook page.

**Debris:** Pam Mcmillian of the Debris Committee presented an informative history of the Debris Committee and their efforts to get the lake cleaned up and the debris under control.

**Navigation:** Joe informed the members of the 3 new hazard buoys that he and Gerry installed on the Pittsylvania side of the lake. He stated that the next project is to work with the other two counties to identify the hazards, get the necessary permits and install the remainder of the hazard buoys.

**Safety:** Gerry reported that the lake is safe. There was one incident this year where a boat hit debris and flipped over. Dannie was there to assist in the boaters rescue. Boating Safety classes are already scheduled for 2020. They will be held the third Saturday of March, April, and May 2020 at the Altavista Train Station. They are free classes and taught by the Coast Guard Auxilary.

**Water Quality:** In Tony’s absence, Dave Waterman presented the Water Quality Report. He highlighted that the Water Quality committee in conjunction with Tom Shahady’s group at the University of Lynchburg has monitored the water quality in LVL since April and these efforts will continue through the fall. Heavy rains bring heavy loads of sediment and bacteria from the Pigg River into the lake. With the exception of the initial months following the demolition of the Pigg River dam in the fall of 2016, it appears that this has not presented obvious health risks to the LVL community. The mid-June sampling came after heavy rains but the E.coli counts did not exceed state health standards except in the upper portion of the lake. At present, our lake remains quite healthy. The Water Quality committee has obtained funds to support our continuing efforts to identify regions of concern and sources of bacteria in the Pigg River watershed.

**New Business:** Gerry presented a pennant that was designed for Leesville Lake members if they were interested. At least 25 pennants would need to be ordered to keep down costs. After taking a poll, there was not enough interest to continue with the pennant purchase.

**Acknowledgements and Announcements:** J.W. thanked Dave Rives for his service to the Leesville Lake Association Board. Dave asked that members consider being members of the committees and he stated that a Membership Committee Chair is needed. He thanked Bob Rankin for designing the T-Shirts and for donating the proceeds from the sale of the prints back to the Association. Dave stated that an additional clean-up day may be scheduled for the fall.

**Member Meeting Adjourn:**

***Motion: Tracy made a motion to adjourn the member meeting. All approved.***

**The next Board meeting will be at the Altavista Library, August 8th at 6:30.**