

LGA Minutes for the October 3, 2018 Monthly Meeting (APPROVED)
Lake Gaston Baptist Church

The meeting began at 9:35 AM. President Mazine Lowe had a prior business commitment so Vice President Don Carson chaired the meeting. After a welcome from Don he called the meeting to order and led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Don then called for a moment of silence. In attendance we had Director Al Potter, John Cataldo, Carol Warfel, Judy Waters, David Murphy, Wally Sayko, Bill Heflin, Brian Goldsworthy and Executive Director Moira Underwood. There were 28 members/guests and one member of the press in attendance.

Also participating we had Representative Terry Garrison representing District 32 which covers both Warren and Vance counties and he is running for his second term in Raleigh. We also had Ben Hunter who is running for an open district court judge position. Lastly, our July monthly speaker, Vicky Stokes from the Warren County Senior Center, updated the audience on an upcoming "Virtual Dementia" workshop that is intended for caregivers working with a loved one who has dementia. The event is on October 19 at the Warren County Senior Center.

Don asked for a motion to approve the agenda which was made by Bill, seconded by John and passed.

Don introduced Misters Kirk Rundell and Clint Morgeson from the NC Wildlife Resource Commission. We enjoyed an informative discussion about the Fisheries in NC. Kirk indicated North Carolina is divided into 11 districts and Lake Gaston and Roanoke Rapids Lake are in District 3. Their job is to manage the fish population in District 3. Our new NC State Lake Manager, who we will hear at our November meeting, used to work with Kirk.

If you would like to learn more including efforts to introduce walleye in this area, you are encourage to visit www.NCWildlife.org/fisheries.

We concluded the meeting with several committee reports.

Wally Sayko, who heads up the Environment Committee, again noted we still need volunteers to help us complete the fall shoreline vegetation survey. The shoreline is over 300 miles and more volunteer participation will ensure we get a complete picture where is the good and bad vegetation. Email Environment@LakeGastonAssoc.com.

Don Carson, chair of Government Relations, reminded Warren County residents a forum has been scheduled for 5:30, October 17 at the Armory. If you live in Warren County, we need your voice to talk about county-wide zoning. This is the only county of the other 4 counties surrounding the lake that does not have county-wide zoning.

If you would like more information, please email GovernmentRelations@LakeGastonAssox.com.

If you would like more information about any of the LGA committees or would like to come out and help at one of the special events, please email info@LakeGastonAssoc.com or visit www.LakeGastonAssoc.com.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Goldsworthy, Secretary