

TOWN OF SALEM
LAKES COMMITTEE WORKSHOP
MONDAY, January 25, 2010 AT 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Linda Valentine opened this Lakes Committee Workshop at 6:04 p.m. with the following present: Dennis Faber, Patrick Casey, Cindi Ernest, Dave Shortess, Jo Weidman, and Patrick Weyand.

Guests: Bill Winker, Virginia Winker, Karen Ihlen, Betty Greiner, Dan Campion, Cindy Cort, Diann Tesar, Greg Kruchko, Joseph Polacheck, William Schulz, Dean Hintzman, Erik Burke, Robert Meisinger, Lois Schaedel, Darren Hillock, and Bruce Bozman.

The purpose of this Lakes Committee workshop is to continue review of the changes made to the current ordinances and regulations, pertaining to all lakes over which the Town has jurisdiction, from the January 4, 2010 workshop.

The committee reviewed the changes from the previous meeting.

Following, there was discussion relative to the lake levels and markers.

Administrator Casey indicated that our engineering firm can determine what the levels should be and the placement of the markers, but they would have to wait until spring to do this. The engineers have expressed concerns with having two (2) locations and different levels.

Greg Kruchko questioned who is going to make the lake level determinations.

Administrator Casey indicated the DNR will have to review and approve the levels.

Discussion followed about the use of electric motors on Rock Lake. Representatives of the lake indicated that they want electric motors only with Slow No Wake designation.

Discussion then turned to buoys, piers, mooring buoys, and rafts.

The group was advised that there should be a permit fee of not under \$25.

Further changes to the ordinance were recommended as follows:

Chapter 20.07 – Reorganize.

Chapter 20.08 Waterskiing – US Coast Guard floatation devices required. Dive flag requirements and delete #3.

Chapter 20.09 - add Tubing. One line per tube with the occupancy safety rating per tube. One line per tube, not to exceed two (2) tow lines.

Further discussion followed on boat capacity and restrictions on towing.

Chapter 20.10 - Incorporate the ATV and snowmobile statutes, possibly Chapter 23 of the state statutes.

Chapter 20.11 - Supervisor Faber requested placement and maintenance of waterway markers are done by the municipality.

Chapter 20.12 #2 - The hours should be taken out. Discussion of vehicles on the ice after 9:00 p.m. followed. The hours need to be refined.

Chapter 20.13 - Should be moved to the beginning of the ordinance.

Chapter 20.14 - The Town is reviewing.

Chapter 20.15 Buoys - Regulatory swim buoy should reflect inland waterway markers.

Chapter 20.16 Penalties – The Town will review the fee structure.

Chapter 20.17 - Review Ordinance 04-1-12C.

The items from Chairman Valentine's brainstorming meeting were reviewed.

Make a distinction in the ordinance as to who is allowed to place signs and who can/can't place barricades.

The health department may have a say about closing the lakes due to eColi.

Chapter 20.04 - Define wave runners, personal watercraft, and include a definition of boats.

Possibly adopt the state statute of definitions.

Pier addressing was suggested by Public Safety.

Discussion followed about wave runner speed.

The Town will work on the document and get it sent out then a quick meeting will be held to "tweak" the ordinance. The stage after this will be a public hearing and approval.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Bruce Bozman, second by Supervisor Faber to adjourn this Lakes Committee Workshop.

This Lakes Committee Workshop was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Ernest, Clerk