

Mountain Island Lake Marine Commission



**Mount Holly City Hall
131 S. Main Street
Mount Holly, NC**

June 7, 2006 Minutes

Commissioners Present: Chairman Jerry Campbell (Gaston County), Vice Chairman Dan DuVall (Mecklenburg County), Secretary/Treasurer Alice Battle (Mecklenburg County), Commissioner Pam Beck (Gaston County), Commissioner Ann Danzi (Gaston County), Commissioner Chris Watson (Lincoln County), Commissioner Greg Shelton (Mecklenburg County)

MILMC Staff Absent: Annette Lawing, Clerk

MILMC Staff Present: Mike McLaurin, Executive Director, Chris Clark, Legal Counsel

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| Welcome & Introductions | Chairman Jerry Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Commissioners and staff introduced themselves. | |
| Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag | Chairman Campbell asked everyone present to join in to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag | |
| Approval of the June 7, 2006 Agenda | The agenda for the June 7, 2006 was approved | An agenda was approved on motions by Commissioners Danzi and Watson. |
| Statement of Purpose | Legal Counsel, Chris Clark read the Statement of Purpose into the record. | |

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| Public Comments | <p>Gary Keith spoke on the proposed 150' no wake zone buffer. Mr. Keith discussed his concerns about the Lake becoming elitist. He believes that the 150' no wake zone buffer is not needed. He also expressed concern about efforts to remove campers from the island at night. As he summarized his comments, he said that the less legislation the better.</p> <p>Secretary/Treasurer Battle and Commissioner Battle asked to comments on Mr. Keith's remarks. They explained that the islands are private property of Duke Power who has rules against nighttime camping. They also reported that there is a great deal of litter being left and healthy trees being cut down. They also discussed the reports of gunshots coming from the island.</p> | |
| Approval of the May 3, 2006 Meeting Minutes | Commissioner Pam Beck requested that the Executive Director review the April meeting minutes regarding a discussion on access signs. | The meeting minutes were approved on motions by Commissioners Beck and Danzi. . |
| Consent Agenda | None | |
| Public Safety Reports | <p>Charlotte – Mecklenburg Police Department Officer Dave Turner reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Charlotte-Meck Police Department had checked 12 boats and issued 7 citations. The officers spent four hours in training. | |

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| <p>Public Safety Reports (continued)</p> | <p>Gaston County Police Department Officer Douglas Hord reported that the officers had</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inspected 12 boats and issued 2 written citations and 2 verbal warnings. ▪ 34 trespassers were cited on Memorial Day. <p>Lincoln County Sheriff's Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No report <p>N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission Officer Arnold reported that the N.C. Wildlife had</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spent 70 hours on the water and issued 31 citations including 1 BWI <p>Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Woody Woodward reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Annual BBQ Round-Up at Latta Plantation was very successful with 790 ill be Thursday, May 4th from 4pm – 8pm ▪ Mr. Woodward discussed the upcoming Dam Catawba River Challenge <p>Commissioners Danzi reported that her neighbor had struck a rock located in the Lake near Latta Plantation. Vice Chairman DuVall said that he would investigate the matter.</p> <p>.</p> <p>Duke Energy of the Carolinas Kelvin Reagan reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No Report | |

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| Environmental Reports | <p>Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report <p>Charlotte Engineering and Property Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report <p>Lakekeepers Report Pam Beck reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ She had picked up a lot of trash from the island including a great deal of wood from healthy trees which had been cut down ▪ Duke Power and the Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation had created a brochure on lake issues. | |
| 2006-2007 Budget Ordinance | <p>A public hearing was held for public comment on the 2006-2007 Budget Ordinance. There were no public comments.</p> <p>The Marine Commission voted to adopt a 2006-2007 Budget Ordinance consisting of Expenditures of \$ 45,152.50 (MILMC Administrative \$ 17,083.00, MILMC Environmental \$ 10,230, MILMC Public Relations \$ 5,720.50, MILMC Public Safety \$ 12,119.00 and Reserve \$ 498.00.</p> | <p>The public hearing was opened on motions by Commissioner Danzi and Vice Chairman DuVall. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed on motions by Commissioner Danzi and Vice Chairman DuVall. The 2006-2007 Budget Ordinance was approved on motions by Secretary/treasurer Battle and Commissioner Danzi.</p> |

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| Authorization To Contract For Services | <p>Tillman and Wright for Legal Services –</p> <p>Centralina Council of Governments</p> <p>Dixon Hughes for Audit Services</p> | <p>Approved on motions by Commissioner Shelton and Danzi.</p> <p>Approved on motions by Commissioner Danzi and Secretary/Tresurer Battle</p> <p>Approved on motions by Commissioner Danzi and Secretary/Tresurer Battle</p> |
| Request to Revise the 2005-2006 Budget | | Deferred until June 23, 2006 Special Meeting |
| Discussion of the Interbasin Transfer Request by Concord and Kannapolis. | <p>Michael McLaurin reported that the revised Environmental Impact Study had been released with a public comment period through July 23rd. Michael McLaurin also discuss pending legislation which if approved would alter how interbasin transfers are handled in North Carolina.</p> | <p>The Marine Commission agreed to invited Concord/Kannapolis, Charlotte Mecklenburg Utility and the Catawba Riverkeeper to the next Marine Commission to discuss the IBT request.</p> |

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| Discussion of Damage to MILMC Property | Woody Woodward reviewed an incident report that had been completed by Parks and Recreation employee Jeff Presson on damage to a MILMC No Wake Zone buoy located in Garr Creek. The Marine Commission discuss several options on how to handle this matter including ordering repayment for the damage to the buoy to getting the offender take a safety boating class. | Vice Chairman DuVall moved with Commissioner Danzi seconding the motion that a letter be crafted to the boat owner noting the damage to Marine Commission property. The letter should be developed by Michael McLaurin, Chris Clark and Commission Shelton. |
| Base Operating Plan (BOP) | <p>Base Operating Plan</p> <p>Vice-Chairman DuVall updated the BOP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project 1 – Blue Fin Award (Beck) – Completed ▪ Project 2 – Annual BOP Workshop (BOP Sub Committee) – Fall 2006 ▪ Project 4 – River Trip for Elected Officials (Beck, Campbell) – Efforts are underway to have a boat tour for the Bi-State River Commission and a separate boat tour for elected officials. ▪ Project 6 – Law Enforcement Workshop (Danzi) – Will be held with Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department. Date and location to be determined. ▪ Project 9 – Commissioner Battle distributed the proposed signage design. The signage will be used to post MILMC regulations and other MILMC matters. The Marine Commission voted to support the design on motions by Commissioner Shelton and Vice Chairman DuVall. ▪ Project 14 – FERC Relicensing (Battle) – Is rapidly drawing to a close. ▪ Project 15 –Awaiting elected board approval. ▪ Project 18 – Michael McLaurin said that he visited Senator Clodfelter’s office and left material on the Mountain Island State Forest. A letter of support will be written. ▪ Project 20 – Buoys (DuVall) – Buoys at Gap Creek have been installed ▪ Project 27 – Inter Basin Transfer (Campbell) – A revised EIS has been sent and the Marine Commission will discuss in July. | |

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| Base Operating Plan (BOP) (continued) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project 28 – Clean Lake Management (Battle) – Meeting minutes from the Clean Lakes Committee were distributed. ▪ Project 29 – Michael McLaurin will have a proposal to discuss the creation and marketing of the MILMC lake map. | |
| Chairman’s Report | No Report | |
| Executive Director’s Report | <p>Executive Director’s Report Executive Director Mike McLaurin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance and Activity Report was distributed to the commission • The Marine Commission reaffirmed its desire to meet on July 5th | |
| Marine Commission Counsel Report | No Report | |
| Commissioner Comments | No Comments | |
| Adjournment | The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m. | A motion was made by Commissioner Shelton and Vice-Chairman DuVall to adjourn meeting. The motion was approved. |
| Next Business Meeting Date and Location | The next MILMC business meeting will be held on July 5, 2006 at 6:30 pm at East Lincoln High School, 6471 Highway 73, Lincolnton, NC | |

Michael McLaurin, Executive Director