

Lake Committee Minutes

7/11/2019

Attendees: Ed Cockman, Don Smith, Bob Fewks, Steve Short, Don Snell, Chris Mace, Dick Williams, Jane Sessler, Ron Shepard, Jason Nowakowski, Josh Davis, Brent Neidenthal.

Compliance: **Violation report by Don Snell. Lake Patrol geared toward prevention not** violations. Twenty-one (21) complaints/violations have been logged in so far. Nine (9) of these required some action i.e. letter needed to be sent out to individual.

It was suggested that complaint log entries be keyed into a database for further analysis.

Volunteer Safety Inspection: Don Snell reported that on July 20 from 9:00AM-1:00PM officer Zach Lemonds of the NC Wildlife Service will be conducting a courtesy boat inspection at Johnson Point. No violations will be issued.

Procedures: The gates at Johnson Point will remain locked after hours. This is due to the recent vandalism that occurred.

Wake Boat Moratorium: The following motion was proposed by Ron Shepard and seconded by Ed Cockman: **From September 15, 2019, no new boats designed and marketed as wake boats or surf boats shall be licensed by SLW and allowed on Lake Auman. Included are any and all boats with bladders or other devices that create large wakes. No aftermarket devices that create large wakes, such as “surf tabs” and “wake shapers”, may be added to existing boats.**

Wake boats and surf boats currently permitted and licensed by SLW shall be grandfathered and may continue to be licensed and used on Lake Auman. Existing wake boats and surf boats may not be replaced by newer wake boat and surf boat models nor sold and allowed to remain on Lake Auman.

After a lengthy discussion of the pros and cons, Ron Shepard withdrew the motion subject to further discussion and review.

A draft list for further input on the pros and cons is below.

Air Docks: Inflatable docks with bladders were discussed.

Mooring Buoys for Pine Island: Vote was taken to install two (2) mooring buoys at Pine Island for additional boat tie ups for a trial only. Vote was passed in favor of by 10-1. Rule 7.2.6 would have to be amended for permanent use of these buoys

LIST

Wake Boat Restriction Pros & Cons

PROS

LA is a small lake/pond and # of WBs is increasing

WBs adversely affect other boating activities

WBs experience none of the consequences of their activity

It's "unfair"

Many residents purchased in SLW for a quiet, peaceful lake

High energy wakes are damaging property

Loud music

CONS

Current R&Rs do not restrict boat type except for "racing" boats

Current R&Rs do not restrict horsepower except for manufacturer's recommendation

It's "unfair"

WBs are not the only wake source

Some residents purchased in SLW in order to use WB

WBs are not as dangerous as high speed skiers and tubers