

## **LGA - Special Board Meeting Minutes**

**October 26, 2022 – 8:30 AM**

### **Littleton Food and Spirits**

Attendees: Brian Goldsworthy, Eric Wooster, Lewis Mustian, John Cataldo, Jeff Zimmer, Lew Stringer, Carol Warfel, Shannon McAllister, Anne Wood and Executive Director, Beverly Summerfield. Excused: Don Carson and Judy Waters.

Announcement made that all are invited to attend Chamber after hours event November 10 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Littleton Cultural Arts Center.

Meeting called to order by Brian Goldsworthy at 8:38 AM.

Motion to approve agenda by Eric Wooster and second by Carol Warfel. Motion Passed.

Motion to approve Sept 28 Board Meeting minutes as amended by Eric Wooster and second by Jeff Zimmer. Motion passed.

Financials and Treasurers report in new format presented by Anne Wood. Discussion ensued after copies distributed.

Membership invoices to be sent out end of October and early November in new format noting \$3.00 fee for use of credit card. Also showing new address.

\$54,000 CD proceeds currently in checking account at First Citizens Bank. Anne to work with Edward Jones representative to invest this for best possible returns.

2023 Budget proposal presented by Treasurer, Anne Wood. M&M committee recommended that printed & mailed copies of the bulletin be eliminated. Paper copies to be provided only for monthly meetings and events with public.

Motion to eliminate printed and mailed bulletins to members and provide bulletin by email only to members by Jeff Zimmer with second by Eric Wooster. Motion passed.

Motion by Lewis Mustian with second by Brian Goldsworthy to publish budget in December / January bulletin. Motion passed.

Meetings in November and December of board, with next executive committee meeting currently scheduled for January. With monthly Membership/Board meetings to resume in February.

Current membership statistics shared by Beverly Summerfield. Highlights are: 2112 current memberships as of 9/30/22. Directors have 1 free membership to award per year to new member, with ability to reduce 1<sup>st</sup> year membership fee by \$5.00 to other new members.

Motion to give free Business Membership to Roanoke Wildwood Fire Department, due to them allowing LGA to use an area in front of firehouse to place LGA sign at no charge by Lewis Mustian with second Lew Stringer. Motion passed. (Eric Wooster and Brian Goldsworthy recused themselves due to membership in RWFD)

Sign to go up in November due to 811 survey expiration and needs of RWFD for the space in October and early November.

Bylaw's changes presented by John Cataldo. Discussion ensued with only minor changes made to proposed changes. John to make changes with Beverly's assistance for publication of changes per current bylaws.

Motion to approve changes to bylaws as discussed and amended by Eric Wooster with second by Lew Stringer. Motion Passed.

Committee Updates:

Jeff Zimmer, Environmental, still have large amount of lake to survey. Issues with equipment and weather, plus need for more volunteers have slowed the survey.

Carol Warfel, Lake Clean up, planning event for March 2023, will be a road in VA and a road in NC to be cleaned on same day. Lunch will be provided.

Brian Goldsworthy, Membership and Marketing, will institute a follow program on members from the realtor membership program to ensure they understand what LGA is and does for them. Lewis to write up outline for this program. "Buddy system" to be used for new members. Also bulletin to be provided by email only to members in future. A list of the members will be provided to directors so they can determine which of their neighbors are not presently members and approach them join the LGA. Also another reminder that Directors have ability to offer a free membership to new member each year with renewal at members expense, plus the ability to discount 1<sup>st</sup> year membership fee by \$5.00 for other new members.

John Cataldo, Government Relations, Superintendents Forum is set for Nov 10 at Lake Gaston Baptist Church from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Set up to begin at 8:45 AM

Brian Goldsworthy, Public Safety, Shred event is scheduled for May 6, 2023 at RWFD.

Beverly suggested changes to internet/phone service at office that would save approximately \$1,000 per year. Agreed to make this agenda item for next meeting.

Next Executive Committee meeting on November 30, 2022

Christmas dinner for directors (and a plus one), plus past directors and supporters to be held at Watersview Restaurant on December 7, 2022. Dinner is "Dutch treat"! Plan to arrive by 5:30 PM. We will order from the menu.

Motion to adjourn by Eric Wooster with second by Shannon McAllister. Motion passed.