

# Mountain Island Lake Marine Commission



**April 7, 2010  
6:30 p.m.**

**Cowan's Ford Country Club  
761 Club Drive  
Stanley, NC**

## Minutes

**Commissioners Present:** Chair Pam Beck (Gaston County), Vice Chair Alice Battle (Mecklenburg County), Secretary Treasurer Ann Danzi (Gaston County), Commissioner Skip Hudspeth (Mecklenburg County), Commissioner Craig R. Wyant (Lincoln County), Commissioner Tim Eldridge (Gaston County)

**Commissioners Absent:** Commissioner Tim Bishop (Mecklenburg County)

**MILMC Staff Present:** Annette Demeny, Executive Administrator, Chris Clark, Legal Counsel

Topic	Discussion Summary	Action
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	Chair Beck called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.	
<b>Approve Minutes – March 3, 2010</b>	The minutes from March 3, 2010 were approved with the following revisions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Page 4, Lake Management Plan – Spelling of <i>John Torbet</i> was corrected</li> </ul>	Secretary Treasurer Danzi made a motion to approve the March 3, 2010 revised meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Eldridge. The motion was approved.

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<b>Approval of the April 7, 2010 Meeting Agenda</b>	The April 7, 2010 meeting agenda was approved.	A motion was made by Vice Chairman Battle to approve the April 7, 2010 Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Hudspeth. The motion was approved.
<b>Consent Agenda</b>	<b>Consent Agenda</b> – None	
<b>Public Comments</b>	<b>Public Comments</b> – None	
<b>Stakeholder Reports</b>	<p><b>Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Dept Report</b> – Officer Howard reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (9) Zone Checks at Sample and Neck Road</li> <li>• (2) Seasonal Lake Enforcement Officers to begin patrolling MI Lake in early May</li> </ul> <p><b>Gaston County Police Department</b> – No one was present to give report</p> <p><b>Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office</b> – No one was present to give report</p> <p><b>N.C. Wildlife Resources</b> – No one was present to give report</p> <p><b>Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation</b> – No one was present to give report</p> <p><b>Duke Energy</b> – Kermitt Taylor reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (0) Pier Applications</li> <li>• Lake Level – 97.3</li> </ul>	
<b>Environmental Reports</b>	<p><b>Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Service Agency (LUESA)</b> – No one was present to give report</p> <p><b>Lakekeepers Report</b> – Alice Battle reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virginia Friedland and students from the College of Charleston came to the Covekeeper’s meeting. They are working on a documentary about coal ash and</li> </ul>	

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<b>Environmental Reports (continued)</b>	<p>water quality.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Safety Boating Course on March 6<sup>th</sup> had 68 in attendance</li> <li>• Signage has been ordered for the Adopt-an-Island</li> <li>• Johnson Creek from the mouth of Mountain Island Lake 0.6 mile to Hwy 16 has been placed on the 303d list for turbidity. This will affect some of the development criteria for that watershed.</li> <li>• 182 NPDS permits for steam plants expired on 2/28/2010. Riverbend will operate under the old permit until the new permit is published.</li> <li>• The Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation will be conducting a fish sampling on Mountain Island Lake. They will take five bass and five channel cats to test for mercury in their flesh. They will also test sediment and water.</li> <li>• Wal-Mart near MI Lake has been instructed to keep all fertilizers, pesticides and fungicides under cover, so they don't go into the area water supply.</li> <li>• Upcoming Events: April 17<sup>th</sup> - Clean &amp; Green, April 24<sup>th</sup> – REI Paddle Fest, April 25<sup>th</sup> – US National Whitewater Earth Day</li> </ul> <p>Secretary Treasurer Ann Danzi reported that she spotted paint that was dumped into the lake. The County should be called when seeing such a spillage.</p> <p><b>Mountain Island Wildlife Stewards</b> – Alice Battle reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended meeting on March 11, 2010. The topic of the meeting was Hawks and Raptors on Mountain Island Lake by Taylor Piephoff of Mecklenburg Parks and Recreation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Regional Stormwater Partnership</b> – Annette Demeny reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Derek Slocum with the Town of Harrisburg and Adam McLamb with the Town of Indian Trail will participate in an interview with 104.7 radio station to educate listeners about stormwater related issues.</li> </ul>	
<b>Base Operating Plan</b>	<p><b>Base Operating Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Media and Outreach (Beck)</b> – Chairman Beck to coordinate with Annette Demeny to schedule a Safe Boating Press conference over the Memorial Day weekend. The press conference be held early in the day at Riverbend Boat Access. More details will be given at the May 5<sup>th</sup> MILMC business meeting.</li> <li>• <b>Lake Management Plan (Battle)</b> – 100+ Lake Management Public Opinion Surveys was distributed to area boaters at boat accesses in the past couple of</li> </ul>	

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<b>Base Operating Plan (continued)</b>	<p>weeks. To date, 25 have been completed and returned. The LMP Subcommittee is finalizing the draft Access Regulations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Buoys (Hudspeth, Eldridge)</b> – Commissioner Hudspeth conducted a survey of the existing buoys on Mountain Island Lake. Nance Cove had one (1) missing buoy but the Commission agreed not to replace it yet since there is a large pontoon buoy and a pencil buoy in placed at this area. These two (2) buoys may work alone to slow boaters down. Buoys at the Hwy 16 bridge could be decreased from 3 to 2 buoys on each side.</li> </ul>	
<b>Chairman’s Report</b>	<p><b>Chairman’s Report</b> – Chair Pam Beck reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 30<sup>th</sup> – the Gaston County School of Excellence will visit Mountain Island Lake to learn about conservation. Need volunteers and boats to fairy students to Big Island and the State Educational Forest. Please see Pam Beck if you are interesting in helping.</li> </ul>	
<b>Executive Administrator’s Report</b>	<p><b>Executive Administrator’s Report</b> – Executive Administrator Annette Demeny reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance Report – the Finance Report was provided to the Commissioner’s prior to the business meeting. There were no questions regarding this information.</li> </ul>	
<b>Commission Counsel Report</b>	<b>Commission Counsel Report</b> – No Report	
<b>Comments</b>	<b>Comments</b> - None	
<b>Adjournment</b>	There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm	A motion was made by Vice Chairman Battle to adjourn the April 7, 2010 business meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Hudspeth. The motion was approved.
<b>Next Business Meeting Date and Location</b>	The next MILMC business meeting will be held on April 7, 2010 beginning at 6:30pm at Charlotte Mecklenburg Utilities, 5100 Brookshire Blvd, Charlotte, NC.	

Annette Demeny, Executive Administrator