

**Lake Martin Home Owners and Boat Owners Association, Inc.
Lake Martin, Alabama**

**HOBO Board of Directors Meeting
January 14, 2008**

Attendance

**Board Members Present
A quorum is present**

Jesse Cunningham
Judy Heinzen
Kay Thomas
Bryan Bartley
Bill Adcock

Toni Adcock
Carey Mullican
Jim Anckersen
Leon Archer

Board Members Absent

Steve Merrick

Committee Members & Area Representative Present

Fred Thompson
Dave Winsor
Larry Brantley

Dick Bronson
Debby Nigh

Members & Guests Present

Fran Clement
Lauren Hokka
Ricky Wright

Tom Clement
Mitch Savage
Sheila Remington

Secretary's Report Judy Heinzen distributed copies of the minutes from the November 15 meeting. Toni Adcock moved to accept the minutes. Kay Thomas seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Toni Adcock moved to accept the minutes from the September 17 meeting since we did not have a quorum to conduct business at the November 15 meeting. Kay Thomas seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Carey Mullican distributed the Treasurer's report. Toni Adcock moved to accept the report. Bryan Bartley seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS - Committee Reports

Membership Jesse Cunningham reported that 4,200 brochures were mailed on December 20, 2007. We have 235 new members. This is a good return, and we will continue mailing brochures every two months.

Larry Brantley reported that a mail out of approximately 500 letters would be sent to the members of the Dadeville and Alexander City Chambers of Commerce with the goal of increasing business memberships.

Water Level Jesse Cunningham reported that FERC approved raising the water level. A copy of the approval is posted at the HOBOWE website. We still need a lot of rain. Jesse will continue as chairman of this committee.

Water Quality Dick Bronson reported that the City of Dadeville floated a bond for \$1 million to upgrade the existing water treatment plant. They are working on obtaining other grants for funding. The City of Dadeville has made a request to ADEM to increase the flow to 750,000 million gallons per day. There will be a public comment period.

Relicensing Committee Jesse Cunningham announced that Dave Heinzen agreed to accept chairmanship of this committee.

Shoreline Committee Jesse Cunningham announced that Dave Heinzen agreed to accept chairmanship of this committee.

Fishing Committee and Recreation Committee still need to have a chairman appointed.

Database Software Judy Heinzen reported that membership records for approximately 1700 members have been imported into a central database. Additional information from the applications is being added. The database allows data entry by different people at the same time. In the future, members will be able to sign up online, pay with a credit card or pay with Paypal, and members will be able to update their own information. The new software makes it easy to retrieve reports, generate mailing labels, send emails, and send renewal billing notices. The previous master database was an excel spreadsheet limited to contact and billing information. This effort has been accomplished with volunteers. Judy McKeller has spent many hours adding information and contacting members to verify information. Phil Adcock is our programming and technical resource.

Christmas Tree Report Bill Adcock reported that we received 150 – 200 trees. There were 14 volunteers signed up to help place the trees. Bill has been in contact with Al Redding of the Alabama Bass Federation as well as Alabama Power. The trees will be placed on Saturday, February 9. Bill recommends we start advertising earlier next year. There were some problems with theft of trees. We need to solve that problem. The coordinates of the fishing sites will be posted on the HOBOWE website after the trees are placed.

NEW BUSINESS

Resignation of Bill Chapman, Coosa County Area Jesse Cunningham opened the floor for nominations. Toni Adcock nominated Lamar Hickman. He is building a home in the Parker Creek area and hopes to move in the end of February. Lamar Hickman has agreed to serve. Bill Adcock seconded the nomination, which was passed unanimously.

Annual Meeting Jesse Cunningham announced the Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 29. He is looking for suggestions on an appropriate place and recommended starting time. He will invite Governor Riley to speak if he is available. Suggestions for a location included Camp Civitan, Elks Lodge, The Arbor in Alexander City, Children's Harbor Conference Center,

and the Betty Carol Graham Center in Alexander City where we held the July meeting. It was suggested that we invite business members to set up a booth. Final plans will be made at the next board meeting.

Boating Safety Fred Thompson ordered 20 books at \$20 each plus the shipping cost. They are due to arrive soon. The course involves 6 hours of instruction and it is better to break it up into 3 sessions because there is reading and homework. Family members can share a book. Debbi Nigh volunteered the community room at the StillWaters Administration building as classroom. The dates will be February 16, February 23 and March 1, all Saturdays. After some discussion all agreed to charge HOBO members \$10 for the class and \$20 for non-HOBO members. Jesse Cunningham will ensure that the lake magazines receive notice of the class in time for the February edition. He will also send an announcement to HOBO members inviting them to participate.

Road Signs Jesse Cunningham stated that this was a membership committee goal that has not been reached. He asked the board send him their opinions on whether we should continue to pursue this goal.

Renew Our Rivers Jesse Cunningham announced that the next lake cleanup is scheduled for June 7. We need a chairman for the cleanup. This date is the Saturday after Memorial Day.

Open Discussion – Matters from the Floor

Dick Bronson announced that the 4th Annual Watershed Conference will be held on April 11 at Camp ASSCA in the Environmental Center. The focus is the impact of the drought. This is an all day event. Dick will send more information when it is available.

Leon Archer suggested that the HOBOS consider a booth at the boat shows in Birmingham and Montgomery. He also urges all to get out and vote on February 5.

Adjourn Toni Adcock moved to adjourn. Carey Mullican seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Heinzen, Secretary