

LWPOA BOARD MEETING Minutes

March 10, 2026

12:30 PM (CST)

Wedowee First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Wedowee, AL 36278

Call to Order –(Steve Blaskowski)

Approval of February 10, 2026, 2025 Minutes(Steve Blaskowski)

Motion to approve minutes was made by Sonya Miller, Seconded by Terri Conkle. February 10, 2026 minutes are approved.

Membership– (Lorie Teal) As of March 1, 2026 we have **196** members for 2026

- We ended the year with 470 members for 2025.

Old Business:

- **Update on Results of Recent Events:**

- **Landscape to Protect our Waters**

- This event was well attended and successful.

- **Dam Tour (Woody)**

- This event sold out quickly and went well. For future purposes, someone from LWPOA must attend these events to help facilitate. We also need to put directions in the invite.

- **Easter Seals (Lorie)**

- We donated kid toys for this event. Lorie attended and passed out pamphlets to everyone who attended.

- **Update on Hiking Day(Steve/Sonya)**

- We need good weather to schedule this event. We can set up a campaign via Zeffy and schedule it once we can announce a date that will work with weather.

- **Update on Raise the Lake (Terri)**

- Feather Flag (Lorie)- Lorie will order a flag. It will be delivered to 4 Winds. Lorie will also ask about the wooden sign Sonya ordered weeks ago.
- Lorie will change the Raise the Lake Invite to match the changes suggested at today's meeting. Terri will share a file with Lorie so that she can use CHATGPT to make changes to the flyer. Once complete 4 Winds will need to approve it before we share it with members.
- Lorie will ask Rob Perry to borrow 8 tables and 48 chairs from the fire department(agreeing to donate). We will also request volunteers to bring a fire truck out.
- Terri is working to create a Lake Hydration Station (Dry Bar) IF it does not conflict with other vendor sales. This will be a free drink station. Terri will update us later on this.
- Lissa took shirt sizes from LWPOA board members for a possible t-shirt for everyone to wear. Cost would be about \$12 for each board member.
- Woody will do beans and or slaw as an extra side for the meal.
- Terri will set up a site visit for March 16 10:00 a.m. at 4 winds to walk through the event for final thoughts and to determine layout (list of vendors to be included)
- Everyone should send the amounts of any items needed to purchase for this event to Loretta. She is monitoring for us to stay within budget on this event.

- **Auxiliary Members (Terri)**
 - Auxiliary Members will be \$50 per person just as a landowner. We will not include them when members are asked to vote.
 - Tut is still working with Sawyer Cross to pull a database from the courthouse documents. We will NOT be able to access emails from this document.
- **Fish Habitat**
 - Fish Habitat Review 3-31-26 from 9-12 at Shorelines office by Marina South.
 - Started a Zeffy Campaign to sign up 15 participants. Everything is ready for a great event.
- **ALEA No Wake Sign Posts for Boat Ramps**
 - Posts and hardware have been purchased for installing new No Wake Signs. We will be working with Trooper Brown to deploy these at boat ramps.
- **Discuss LWPOA Insurance**
 - Due in April- There is a possibility of coverage for Errors and Omissions (\$1200)that MIGHT not be needed. More research is needed on this.

New Business:

- **CDs Mature on 3/22/26**
 - Lorie will renew these CDs at the best rate locally.

LWPOA Board Candidates/ Officers for upcoming year/years-

We need more members nominated to vote on soon. Woody will continue to share on Facebook. We will review nominated meetings at the next Board Meeting.

Woody McClintock was nominated as Chair for July 2026- June 2027. 100% of board members present voted yes to elect Woody as Chair for the upcoming year.

Loretta Coleman was nominated as Co-Chair for July 2026-June 2027. 100% of board members present voted yes to elect Loretta as Chair for the upcoming year.

Fish Habitat-

We will plan for a work day toward the end of March to work with Mike to put trees in lake. Steve will get more information and determine how we will promote this work. We are excited to work with AL Power to get the trees anchored in the lake.

End of 1st Quarter Financial Report

Loretta Coleman will complete a quarterly financial report for LWPOA to share at our April 2026 meeting and to report on spending in our quarterly newsletter.

Committees:

- Boating/Lake Safety – **Steve Blaskowski**

- Fish Habitat- **John Beaty**
- Hospitality – **Terri Conkle**, Sonya Miller
- Lake Clean-up – **Steve Blaskowski**, Bob May, Rob Perry
- Membership – **Tut Smith**, Pat Lettieri
- Publicity/Social Media- **Woody McClintock**
- Relicensing – **Barry Morris**,
- Water Quality – **Susan Urquhart**, Steve Blaskowski
- Website/Email Broadcast –**Woody McClintock**,
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Adjourn – Sonya Miller made a motion to adjourn, this motion was seconded by Lissa Calhoun. Meeting adjourned. The next general meeting will be held April 14, 2026 12:30 PM, location is Wedowee First United Methodist Church.