

## LWPOA BOARD MEETING Minutes

April 14, 2026

12:30 PM (CST)

Wedowee First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Wedowee, AL 36278

**Call to Order** –(Steve Blaskowski)

**Approval of March 10, 2026, 2025 Minutes( Steve Blaskowski)**

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

**Members Present:** Woody McClintock, Steve Blaskowski, Loretta Coleman, Pat Letteri, Terri Conkle, Sonya Miller and Lisa Calhoun

**Absent:** Tut Smith, John Beaty

**Guest:** Bridget Hannah, Tracy Wilson, Alex Shewbirt, John Harmon

**Membership**– (Lorie Teal) As of April 1, 2026 we have **219** members for 2026

- We ended the year with 470 members for 2025.

Open Board Seat Interviews were conducted. All guests who attended had applied to be a board member for the upcoming 3 terms. The Board interview this panel and made a recommendation to nominate: Bridget Hannah, Tracy Wilson and Alex Shewbirt to the LWPOA Members. A Ballot will be created in Zeffy to recommend these three candidates to replace Tut Smith, Steve Blaskowski and Pat Letteri. Voting will end on Tuesday, April 28. Elected Board Members will be introduced at the Raise the Lake event on May 9.

Loretta Coleman gave a financial report for the end of the first quarter for 2026. Overall we are doing well with gaining members when compared to the same timeline in the past couple of years. Loretta reviewed accounts and where we stand on each account. She also summarized a short synopsis that can be shared out with all members (see link below). Currently we have \$11,268.07. We ended year 2025 with \$6692.32.

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### **Old Business:**

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

- Hiking Day- Sonya will select a day in the coming weeks and post on line for others to join her. She will also create a Zeffy Campaign and e-vite for members to sign up.
- Fish Habitat Christmas Tree Drop- 7 volunteers put out trees. 3 AL Power Team members helped. They were great and gave coordinates for us to add to our document. Lorie will share the previous coordinate documentation list with Steve so he can update GPS coordinates in the same format so we can share online.
- ALEA No Wake Sign Posts for Boat Ramps Progress - Post driver required. Board voted for Steve to purchase this driver and keep it in our storage unit for future needs.

- **Next Steps for Raise the Lake (Terri)**

- Feather flag and wooden sign delivered to 4 Winds- We must pay a monthly fee to advertise. Terri and team will meet with Angie @ 4 Winds to clarify what she is needing for us to be able to advertise at her location. Anyone wanting to join Terri is invited to this meeting.
- Zeffy Campaign - 12 Sales as of today. There seems to be a lot of chatter and we feel more will sign up.
- All Board members are requested to bring tables and chairs as they have them at home. Fire department did not agree to us borrowing and paying a donation for their use. We will bring our own.
- Lorie will bring payment square to the event for new members wanting to pay in person.
- Board voting to approve Sonya purchasing koozies as a membership give away for the event. 100 will be purchased and customized (blue).
- Board voted to meet early next month so that we have one more meeting prior to our event. We will meet at Wedowee Mexican Restaurant on 5/5/26 at 12:30 in the back room. Woody will secure a meeting room.

- **LWPOA Taxes - Update**

- 2025 Taxes- Lorie will pick up the taxes and sign to have them filed tomorrow. Although they were dropped off in February, they were not completed until now for filing. Cost is \$200 for completing and filing.

- **Discuss LWPOA Insurance**

- Due in April- \$2930- Board voted to pay the insurance as it is for now. If we find a better plan, we will change accordingly.

- **5 LWPOA CDs-**

- All 5 CDs were renewed at First Bank for 6 months @ 3.83 APY on 3/23/26

### **New Business:**

- **LWPOA Board Candidates**

- Interview candidates to replace Tut Smith, Pat Lettieri, Steve Blaskowski
  1. Bridget Hannah
  2. Chad Smith (did not attend, nor ask for phone interview)
  3. Cynthia Specht (phone interview completed)
  4. Alex Shewbirt
  5. Tracy Wilson
  6. John Harmon

**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**,
- Facebook- **Woody McClintock**,
- Wake Surf Regulations- **Woody McClintock**
- Financials- **Loretta Coleman**
  
- Treasury Report – (Lorie Teal)
  - Total March Deposits **\$2100**
  - Expenses- Total expenses deducted in March totaled: **\$1162.59**
  - Expenses: Secretary Salary Lorie Teal \$525, Steve Blaskowski Hardware for No Wake Signs \$350.46, Susan Urquhart Water Testing Supplies \$162.75, US Post Office Box Rental Yearly Fee \$78.00, Creekside Signs Feather Flag, Wooden Sign \$333.26 (outstanding)
  - LWPOA Checking account ended March 2026 with a reconciled bank balance of **\$11,268.07 (this includes an outstanding check for \$333.26)(no minimum balance for checking account)**
  - LWPOA Savings account March 2026 with a balance of **\$6376.55 (Minimum balance is \$5000)**
  - \$3.52 was earned in interest over the past 3 months in the saving account #6573.  
5 LWPOA CDs were renewed on 3/23/26 6 months @ First Bank for 3.83 AYP. CDs mature 9/23/26.

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| 6 8 CD 0004= <b><u>\$5525.27</u></b> | 6 8 CD 0005= <b><u>\$5525.27</u></b> |                                      |

**Adjourn** – Woody McClintock made a motion to adjourn, this motion was seconded by Loretta Coleman. Meeting adjourned. The next general meeting will be held May 5, 2026 12:30 PM, location is Wedowee Mexican Restaurant.