

LWPOA BOARD MEETING AGENDA

September 8, 2026

12:30 PM (CST)

Wedowee First United Methodist Church

Wedowee, AL 36278

Call to Order –(Woody McClintock) Woody McClintock called the meeting to order at 12:41.

Approval of August 11, 2026 Minutes (Woody McClintock)

-Lissa Calhoun made a motion to approve, John Beaty 2nd this motion. August minutes are approved.

Membership – (Lorie Teal) As of September 1 ,2026 we have 344 (from Zeffy Members List) for 2026.

- We ended the year with 470 members for 2025.

Members Present: Woody McClintock, John Beaty, Lissa Calhoun, Terri Conkle

Members Absent: Tracy Wilson, Sonya Miller, Loretta Coleman, Bridget Hannah, Ally Shew

Guests Present: Steve Blaskowski, Douglas Kirk and Matthew Knight

Guest Speakers: Douglas Kirk and Matthew Knight (334-338-0327 also a state officer)

RC Rescue Squad: Land and Water

Douglas and Matthew shared the current state of RC Rescue Squad- Started in 1967: They have sonar, larger boat, small drone, dog and a command trailer. 45 members but not all are active. Need larger equipment to hold on to people they locate and a new building to help with storing equipment which impacts response time. All are volunteers. Ad Valorem taxes provides about \$36,000 a year. Cigarette tax money is also a resource provides about \$4000 to \$5,000 a year. United Way sometimes gives funds. Normally they operate on \$40,000 budget. They have to have workman's comp insurance and it costs about \$8000 a year. Tennessee Recuse had very up to date equipment in the recent drowning. It would cost about \$200,000 for that equipment for RC Rescue Squad. Currently they are located on Hwy 48 where you turn to middle school. They are non profit therefore, money donated can be deducted on taxes. A mannequin has been purchased and training will begin soon on Crescent Crest. They are on Facebook but not as much as they would like to be for awareness.

They would like to be an business partner with LWPOA. They would like to join us when we have events as a partner. They will share about lake clean up and will plan to join us.

Matthew asked to connect with Terri about offering Life Jackets at different points around the lake.

Non-Committee Business:

- **IRS Update for unfiled taxes (Woody)**
 - No update from the IRS at this time, we are still with in the 60 day timeline of waiting for an answer for the remaining years taxes were not filed prior to this board.
- **Rebranding Progress Update (Ally)**
 - Update from Ally (postponed due to Ally being sick)
 - Board approval of new logo- Vote was taken via email and confirmed as approved in today's meeting.



Committee Updates

• **Preservation & Safety Education - Bridgette**

- Update on development of an Outdoor Learning & Safety Initiative- We will plan to share this at the Annual Meeting. Since Bridgette was absent today, Woody shared the information below from Bridgette's work on this initiative,

Deliverable	Cost	Funding	Resource	Venue	Comments	Status
4H Classes for Wedowee kids	0	NA	Need a local sponsor	Training location needs to be identified	Use class content already available at other 4H chapters	Discovery Phase
Boat certification class for residents	0	NA	Lake Patrol ready	Training location needs to be identified	Zeffy invitation sent to potential attendees. This is an 8 hour curriculum.	Ready
TAJ/LAJ - Take a Jacket / Leave a Jacket service	TBD	Grant	Need a Project Manager	Public lake locations to be identified	Will need to purchase life vests, kiosk and signage to be placed at public ramps and swimming locations.	Discovery Phase
CPR Training	0	NA	Trainer identified	Training location needs to be identified	Zeffy invitation sent to potential attendees	Ready

• **Fish Habitat and Lake Navigation - John**

- No updated needed at this time.

• **Lake Clean-Up - Woody, Lissa [Spreadsheet](#)**

- Dates set for October 20-22, 2026
- Reviewed Donation Spreadsheet for accuracy. Lorie will check PO Box once more today and then sign will be ordered before close of business today.
- Signs to be placed- Lissa will get signs to board members today to help get the signs out.
- Reviewed Overall Plan and next steps needed

	20- Oct (Tues)	21- Oct (Wed)	22- Oct (Thurs)
Breakfast	Jacks	Heather	Jacks
Lunch	Nelsons @ Fosters	ChickFil @ Rice	Smoking Pig @ 48 Bridge
Boats:	John Beaty, Steve Blaskowski, Woody, 2 from Marina and 1 other		

• **Water Quality – Tracy**

- Chemical replenishments for testers in progress from Woody house.

• **Social Media – Ally**

- No update needed at this time.

• **Membership & Hospitality – Terri, Sonya**

- Fall Annual Meeting Plan (Total budget allotted \$700)
 - Location: Mia's @ Marina 9:00 to 11:00
 - Terri will work with Sonya to share a [chart](#) of the complete plan for Annual Meeting by the end of this week. **(include confirmations of all presenters, limit each category of speakers for 20 minutes)**
 - **As of today 33 have responded via Zeffy for attending.**
 - Each category of speakers get 20 minutes total.
 - Woody will work with Loretta for an additional Zeffy invite to be sent
 - Woody will work with Loretta to plan to give a "State of the Union" address of our budget and how we are spending the membership funds.

• **Financials– Loretta**

- CD expires on 9/23/26- Determine next steps- Board requested Loretta and Woody review funds and budget to determine if all CDs will be reinvested or some place on reserve for the IRS penalty possibility.

• **Zeffy Campaigns & Communications – Loretta- No update needed at this time.**

- RC Highschool requested we purchase a yearbook ad for membership advertisement. We purchased a \$100 ad. All in attendance agreed.

			Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Re-branding Planning & Prep							Implement / Shirts via renewals	
Tax & Legal Requirements								
Shirt Strategy								
Member Communications								
Preservation & Safety Ed Program								
Research, define, partner, implement					Low hanging fruit		Other pilots	
Tax Filing Resolution								
Member Activities			Fall Meeting	Lake Cleanup				
Realtor / Attorney LWPOA Insert			Finalize	Distribute	HOA Presentations			

Adjourn – The next general meeting will be held **October 13 , 2026 12:30 PM**, location is **Wedowee First United Methodist Church**.