# Lake Jessamine Water Advisory Board Regular Meeting Cypress Grove Park – Grove House June 6, 2019

**Board Members Present:** Brett Barner (Chair), David Geller, Carolyn Accola, Cynthia McCurry (Vice-Chair)

**Board Members Absent: None** 

Staff Present: Bryce Edwards, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD)

Others Present: Martha Wyatt

#### I. Meeting Called to Order:

With a quorum present, Chair Brett Barner called the meeting of the Lake Jessamine Water Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to order at 5:03 p.m.

## **II.** Approval of the May 2, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

By consensus, the Advisory Board approved the meeting minutes as presented.

### III. Public Comment on Propositions Before the Advisory Board:

There were no public comments.

### IV. Environmental Protection Division (EPD) Report:

#### **Aquatic Plant Management Update**

Bryce Edwards reported that there were no areas of the lake that needed treatment. Bryce Edwards also reported that the pondweed in the southern lobe has receded substantially, and has received no further complaints or questions about the area.

#### **Shallow Water Buoy Replacements**

Bryce Edwards received a report from the Marine Patrol regarding a broken buoy, which was removed by the county's term contractor. Along with the broken buoy, three others were found to be in need of replacement. Four new buoys were ordered at a cost of \$1,794 and are expected to be installed in June 2019.

## **Shoreline Planting Event & Other Outreach**

A total of 25 participants responded to this year's planting postcards. The planting event will be scheduled on the week of June 24, 2019. Residents will be notified by phone and email. Bryce Edwards spoke to a few residents that were new on the lake who responded, and found the Homeowner's Guide had not been noticed. The cover of the guide may be reworked in the future so that its contents are more obvious. There was discussion of recognizing residents who participated in multiple shoreline planting events.

### **Duck Boxes**

The installation of duck boxes will be held until the cooler months, a little closer to nesting season. Bryce Edwards was concerned that residents may not respond to another event so close to the shoreline planting.

## V. Member Reports:

Brett Barner initiated a discussion about septic systems around the lake. All present discussed the environmental issues that can arise from septic systems. Bryce Edwards reminded the Advisory Board that the topic had been well covered by the lake study from 2012.

Carolyn Accola asked if Lake Jessamine had any fisheries issues. All present discussed areas where fish like gizzard shad were being harvested, and that Lake Jessamine was not in need of such action.

#### VI. Non-Agenda Items:

Brett Barner indicated that one in three drains around the lake were missing "Drains to Lake Jessamine" labels, and that a community event to replace the labels may be due. Bryce Edwards offered to invite the volunteer coordinator for community events to the next meeting in August to discuss.

#### VII. Meeting Adjournment:

Brett Barner adjourned the Lake Jessamine Water Advisory Board meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Brett Barner Chairman

Minutes Prepared By Bryce Edwards

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