Minutes

Law Enforcement Committee

2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.E. Suite 1252 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

March 24, 2015

Attending:

Committee Members

Philip Watt, Chairman
Duncan Johnson, Jr., Vice Chairman
William Bagwell
Dwight Davis
Phyllis Johnson
Mike Phelps
Paul Shailendra
Bodine Sinyard
Philip Wilheit

Ray Lambert, Board Chair, ex-officio

Board Members

Dwight Evans Aaron McWhorter Dee Yancey

Visitors

Debbie Phillips, Georgia Industry Environmental Coalition
Andrew Schols, TCF
Doug Miell, Georgia Chamber
Harold Rehies, Joe Tanner and Associates
Ronny Just, Georgia Power
Bryan Tolar, Georgia Agribusiness
Abit Massey, Georgia Poultry Federation
Walter Jones, Morris News Sun
John Eberhart, Georgia Earth Alliance
Kevin Jeselnik, Chattahoochee Riverkeeper
Chris Manganiello, Georgia River Network
Mike Giles, Georgia Poultry Federation

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The March 24, 2015 meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee was called to order by Chairman Ray Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called on Dr. Philip Watt, Chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee, who called on Captain Mike England to present the Interstate Boating Violator Compact Regulations.

Captain England stated the Boating Violator Compact assures non-resident boaters from member states receive the same treatment as a resident for minor violations. He further stated these regulations promote boating on bordering lakes and rivers by making it more convenient for boaters. He added the proposed rule also increase the efficiency of the Conservation Rangers by allowing more time for enforcement duties rather than processing procedures.

Captain England stated the proposal was publically noticed on October 28, 2014 and three public hearings were held during the month of November 2014. He further stated during that time two comments in support of the rule were received.

Captain England stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the item as presented.

Mr. Johnson thanked Captain England and the Law Enforcement Division for their work on these regulations which will make it much more convenient for boating on bordering rivers and lakes.

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to approve the adoption of the Interstate Boating Violator Compact Regulations, as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.