

LAKE ISTOKPOGA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The mission of the Lake Istokpoga Management Committee is to address management issues associated with Lake Istokpoga and its watershed, providing public input on issues related to the lake that may be considered by the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners. This Committee is charged with addressing issues that include but are not limited to exotic plant management, watershed management, aquatic habitat enhancement, water level regulation, lake restoration, management of a renewable, sustainable Istokpoga ecosystem, restoration of long-term ecological health to the lake and its watershed, and preservation of the lake's economic value. The LIMC will provide information and function as advisor to the BOCC. By extension and request, Committee recommendations may be forwarded to other agencies on issues of concern to the management of Istokpoga, at the discretion of the BOCC. The LIMC will provide a regular and on-going public forum for exchange of information, and discussion of issues related to the lake. It will also provide representatives of the public with the opportunity to provide formal comments on Lake Istokpoga management. The work of the Committee is governed by the Lake Istokpoga Fish Management Area Agreement between the Highlands County BCC and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which called for the formation of a Lake Istokpoga Management Committee, and County Resolution 15-14-047 which governs how it is constituted and its roles and responsibilities. The organizations represented on the Committee are reflected in the table below.

Member	Organization	Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #	Fax #	Term	Start Date	Exp. Date
Bert Galloway	Citizen, Lake Resident North	225 Wild Duck Pt	Lorida	33857			4 years	6/2/2015	12/31/2020
Jim Reed	Citizen, Lake Resident South	441 Bright Hill Ave	Lake Placid	33852			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2019
Bill Dwinell	Friends of Istokpoga	36 Bald Cypress St	Lake Placid	33852			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2019
John Ruggerio	Highlands County Lakes Association	3008 Ash Street	Lake Placid	33852			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2020
Paul Phypers Jr.	Istokpoga Marsh Watershed Improvement D	P.O. Box 219	Lake Placid	33852			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2020
Gary Albin	Professional, Business Community	4232 Trails End Rd	Lorida	33857			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2020
Paul Gray	Professional, Environmental Community	P.O. Box 707	Lorida	33857			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2119
Linda McCarthy	Professional, Range Management						4 years	10/20/2015	12/31/2019
Clay Shrum	Spring Lake Improvement District						4 years	4/21/2015	12/31/2019
Gary Lamperelli	alternate - Friends of Istokpoga	3515 Little Lake Drive	Sebring	33876			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2019
Dick Reaney	alternate - Highlands County Lakes Association		Lake Placid	33852			4 years	resolution approved	12/31/2020
Joe DeCerbo	alternate - Spring Lake Improvement District	321 Duane Palmer Blvd	Sebring	33876			4 years	4/21/2015	12/31/2019
Roberta Lake	alternate - Professional, Environmental Community		Lorida	33857			4 years	10/20/2016	12/31/2019
Don Elwell	Commissioner	600 S. Commerce Ave.	Sebring	33870					