



Minutes of the 11/17/09 Meeting

The November meeting of the Lake Housatonic Authority was held at the VRPA offices in the Derby train station.

Members Present

Ames, Scott (Oxford)
Behuniak, Paul (Seymour)
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Steeves, Bill (Derby)
Udall, Mike (Oxford)

Members Absent

Ahearn, David (Derby)
Fiedler, Andy (Seymour)
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)

Also present were LHAMP Officers Nicholas Debenedent & Patrick Kilby.

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Andy Card, Head Coach for the Yale men's crew, presented the board with a completed application for marine event permit for the 2010 season. The application was reviewed by the board. All was in order and as Yale submits similar applications every year there was no need for any lengthy discussion. The dates are as follows:

March 27, 2010	8:00am – 11:00am
April 10, 2010	8:00am – 12:00am
April 24, 2010	8:00am – 12:00am

Motion to accept the Yale application for marine permit as submitted:

Motion: Blanchard Second: Udall, M. Vote: Unanimous

The Chairman signed the application and requested a copy of the approved permit be sent to the LHA for reference.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the October 2009 meeting were presented to the board for approval. Mike Udall requested a minor correction.

Motion to accept the October 2009 minutes for approval with correction:

Motion: Behuniak. Second: Udall, M. Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Mike Udall, read the November 2009 Treasurer's Report.

Cash receipts included Webster Bank interest.

Disbursements included accounting, patrol payroll, patrol fuel & maintenance, weed harvester fuel & maintenance, and water quality testing.

Motion to accept the reading of the November 2009 Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Blanchard. Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

No presentation scheduled at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Patrick Kilby reported that the patrol boats were shrink-wrapped and ready for the winter. The majority of the officer's hours had been submitted and any open hours would be submitted in the next week.

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported that the final sample of the season would be taken at the end of the month. A detailed report would be available in January.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported that the weed harvester was out of the water and in storage with the dump truck at Indian Well Park for the winter.

Vessels and Equipment:

Paul Behuniak reported that the patrol boats were winterized and shrink-wrapped. The docks still need to be pulled and would be done in the next two weeks.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Regatta Committee

Nothing to report at this time.

Nominating committee

Paul Behuniak presented the slate of officers for the 2010 year to the board as follows:

Mike Stahl – Chairman

Paul Behuniak – Vice-Chairman

Mike Udall – Treasurer

Scott Ames – Secretary

The officers will be voted on at the January 2010 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Governor's Regional Round table (Executive Order #15)

Nothing to report at this time.

DEP Communications and Logistics agreement.

Scott Ames reported that there had been no response from the DEP to date.

LHA Website

Scott Ames reported the website is near complete and will be up by years end.

Safety Inspection Stickers

Patrick Kilby volunteered to head up the safety sticker program and will look into the cost.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Committee

The Chairman formed a Budget Committee to formulate a budget for 2010 and to audit the 2009 books. The Chairman appointed the following members to the committee:

Mike Udall
Scott Ames
Sandy Blanchard

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since October was made available for the Board to review.

Sandy Blanchard presented an email he had received from the DEP in regards to the requirement for personal flotation devices for small racing craft. In brief summary the DEP has decided based on a recent court ruling and legal precedent that PFD's are not required on rowing sculls and similar craft.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

No report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn the November meeting.

Motion: Blanchard Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Ames
Secretary

These minutes are subject to approval.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LAKE HOUSATONIC AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010 AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.