



Minutes of the 7/19/11 Meeting

The July 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)
Steeves, Bill (Derby)
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)
Udall, Mike (Oxford)

Members Absent

Ahearn, David (Derby)
Fiedler, Andy (Seymour)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)

Also present was John Annino, LHAMP Supervisor; Patrick Kilby, LHAMP Officer; and Nicholas Debenedent, LHAMP officer.

The Vice-Chairman, Paul Behuniak, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

No public present

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the June 2011 meeting were presented to the board for approval. A few minor corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the June 2011 minutes with correction for approval:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Mike Udall, read the July 2011 Treasurer's Report.

Cash receipts included a transfer from the CD. Cash disbursements included clerical, patrol fuel & maintenance, patrol payroll, weed fuel & maintenance, workers compensation insurance, and rent.

Motion to accept the reading of the July 2011 Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Blanchard Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

No presentation scheduled at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

John Annino reported the season was progressing well. The fireworks went well with little to no issues. Officers noted that it appeared that individuals were charging for jet ski rides at the park. It was reported to environmental conservation officers at the park. There were some issues with several of the officer's paychecks. The treasurer will address the issue prior to the next pay date.

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported the first water quality test was completed and the results were typical for this time of year.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported the harvester was running well with no issues to report.

Vessels and Equipment:

John Annino reported that the old boat was still difficult to shift as there is no detent for neutral. The navigation lights on the same boat were intermittent as well. It was suggested that automatic bilge pump switches be added to the boat as it was taking too long pumping out the boats. It was also requested that a 12 volt accessory socket be added to the boats for using the spotlight.

Regatta Committee

Nothing to report at this time.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

No special committees at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

Garbage discharged over dam

It was reported that garbage may be being pushed over the dam. Several complaints have been made about large formations of trash being released all at once. This is a serious safety and water quality issue and is in direct violation to the operating permit of the dam. The board agreed this was a serious matter and would have to investigate it further.

NEW BUSINESS:

The current weed harvester operator would be going back to school as of August 21st and would no longer be available. It was suggested to hire Stanley Ptak, former LHA commissioner and weed harvester operator, with a start date of August 21st. The board agreed and suggested he start working with the current operator to get use to the equipment.

Motion to hire Stanley Ptak for weed harvester operator:

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

CORRESPONDENCE

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

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Vice-Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn the July meeting.
Motion: Udall, M. Second: Blanchard Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Ames
Secretary - LHA

These minutes are subject to approval.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LAKE HOUSATONIC AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 16 2011, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.