



Minutes of the 6/21/11 Meeting

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

Members Present

Ahearn, David (Derby)
Ames, Scott (Oxford)
Behuniak, Paul (Seymour)
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)
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Members Absent

Fiedler, Andy (Seymour)
Steeves, Bill (Derby)

Also present was John Annino, LHAMP Supervisor, and Patrick Kilby, LHAMP Officer.

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

No public present

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

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

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Mike Udall, read the June 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 May 2011 Treasurer's Report:

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

GUEST PRESENTATION:

No presentation scheduled at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

John Annino reported the regatta ran well. The patrol has removed several very large trees that were posing a navigational hazard. One of these trees was brought to Indian Well park where it was pulled out with the dump truck and cut up. Mr. Annino requested additional hours to have two boats on the water for both the Derby/Shelton and Birchbank fireworks. The board approved his request.

The secretary inquired about the sticker program. The board agreed the program was beneficial and should be continued. Mr. Anino will get 2011 decals and make them available to the officers.

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported the first water quality test was taken and results would be available next month. The board briefly discussed the zebra mussel issue and the PCB clean-up effort.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported the harvester and dump truck were ready to go. Weeds are reported to have started growing and have become problematic near Birchbank. The board all agreed it was time to start harvesting.

Vessels and Equipment:

Paul Behuniak reported all vessels and equipment were in good working order. The secretary reported on the narrow banding regulation and the need to convert existing radio equipment and submit a revised license.

Regatta Committee

Sandy Blanchard reported that although the weather wasn't great, the regatta went very well.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

No special committees at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

The treasurer brought it to the board's attention that a small island had formed below the dam just across from the route 34 access road since the flood. The island (sand bar) is visible when the dam is not running but is not visible at higher levels.

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.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The chairman advised the board that the blessing of the fleet and boat parade would be the first weekend in August.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn the June meeting.
Motion: Udall, K. Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 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, JULY 19 2011, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.