



## **Minutes of the 11/20/12 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)  
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)  
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### Members Absent

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

Also present was John Annino, Supervisor LHAMP; Colonel Overturf and Sergeant Ramos, CT DEEP Environmental Conservation Police.

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:**

Colonel Overturf and Sergeant Ramos from the CT DEEP Environmental Conservation Police were present to discuss the Memorandum of Agreement between CT DEEP and the LHA in both its current and proposed future renditions.

Col. Overturf stated the last memorandum was put into place in 2005 and since then respective roles and responsibilities have changed and the memorandum needed to be updated to reflect that. He also stated that some legal language needed to be added to appease the legal department. Col. Overturf summarized DEEP's responsibility in the proposed agreement as follows: The DEEP Commissioner will continue to appoint LHA Patrol Officers; DEEP will commit to continuing to provide training to the LHA officers; and DEEP will continue to make available the use of the DEEP radio system, dispatch, case #'s, etc.

The LHA Board stated that they appreciated the support that DEEP has provided and is open to discussion and possible revisions to the current memorandum. The Board stated that a proposed revision had been received back in 2009 that was rejected. A quick review of the current proposal was made and it appears that it is much more in line with what the LHA Board would agree with. However, it was made clear that it is not a simple process and would have to be reviewed carefully and forwarded on to each perspective towns legal council. Col. Overturf stated he understood and asked the LHA take its time to review the document. It was mutually agreed that the LHA Board would review the document, make any changes/corrections deemed necessary,

and return to Col. Overturf for his approval. Once both sides were in agreement, the memorandum would be passed on to the town councils.

Col. Overturf and Srgt. Ramos thanked the board for their time and excuse themselves from the meeting.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

The minutes for the October 2012 meeting were presented to the board for approval.

Motion to accept the October 2012 minutes as presented

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The treasurer, Mike Udall, read the November 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Cash disbursements included patrol payroll, patrol fuel & maintenance, weed harvester fuel & maintenance, insurance, and accounting

Motion to accept the reading of the November 2012 Treasurer's Report:

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

**GUEST PRESENTATION:**

No presentation scheduled at this time.

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Patrol:

John Annino, LHAMP Supervisor, reported that the Patrol would be in good shape for next year. He also commented that the majority of the tickets issued during the season came back from court in the LHA's favor.

Water Quality:

No report at this time.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuinak reported the harvester was out of the water and the pump was repaired. It is being stored at Indian Wells until next season.

Vessels and Equipment:

No report at this time.

Regatta Committee

No report at this time.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

#### Nominating Committee

The nominating committee presented the proposed slate of officers for 2013:

Mike Stahl (Derby) - Chairman  
Paul Behuniak (Seymour) – Vice-Chairman  
Mike Udall (Oxford) – Treasurer  
Scott Ames (Oxford) - Secretary

The board will vote on the proposed slate of officers at the January 2013 meeting.

#### Budget Committee

The Chairman announced the creation of a budget committee. The committee will meet in December to prepare a budget proposal for the 2013 season and to perform an annual accounting audit. The committee members are:

Mike Udall (Oxford) – Committee Chairman  
Scott Ames (Oxford)  
Sandy Blanchard (Shelton)

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

##### Radio Narrow Banding

The updated license has been completed and accepted. The LHAMP radios are in compliance.

##### Trailer

The McConnie's Grove association approved a new shed for the LHA. Quotes would be reviewed so that a shed could be purchased.

##### Patrol Boat Motor

The formal quote was received for the new patrol boat motor. The quote was in line with the estimate already received and was by far the least expensive option. The Chairman asked for a motion to purchase.

Motion to purchase the new patrol boat motor.

Motion: Behuniak      Second: Blanchard      Vote: Unanimous

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None at this time.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

None at this time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn the November meeting.  
Motion: Udall. M.      Second: Behuniak      Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 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, JANUARY 15 2013, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT  
7:30 P.M.