



Minutes of the 9/19/2017 Meeting

The September 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)
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent

Manion, Tim (Shelton)

Also present was Ed Baclawski, LHAMP Chief and Brian Brainard, LHAMP Asst. Chief

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

No public present

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the August 2017 meeting was presented to the board for approval.

Motion to accept the August 2017 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Blanchard Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, presented the September treasurer's report. The Treasurer noted that funds from all four towns had been received. Expenses included Patrol Payroll, patrol Fuel & Maintenance, Weed Control Payroll, Weed Control Fuel & Maintenance, Accounting, Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation, and Truck Insurance. All bills are up to date.

GUEST PRESENTATION:

None scheduled at this time

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Chief Baclawski reported that patrols were done for the season with the exception of the upcoming regatta on October 7th. The Chief noted that DEEP would be offering training this winter and it is only offered every other year. Currently there are seven officers and he suggests adding four more for training. There are currently two boat handlers looking to advance to officers. Former Chief Patrick Kilby expressed interest as staying on as a reserve officer. The Chairman thanked the Chief for a great season and job well done.

Water Quality:

The July sample was taken and the August sample is scheduled to be taken later this week. This year's data hasn't been analyzed closely but a quick review indicates it is typical to previous year's.

Weed Harvester:

The harvester has been doing a good job and really started to make a difference once it was running full time. The two operators and truck driver have been putting in a lot of hours. However, it was noted there were large mats of cut weeds coming from over the dam. There is a bearing on the shore conveyor that needs to be replaced.

Vessels and Equipment:

The boards were installed on the dump truck. The boats have been running ok.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Survey

The first survey is complete. The second survey will be conducted in the fall. The report will be ready late November.

New Patrol Boat

The board reviewed quotes from the current manufacturer, Carolina Skiff, as well as quotes from Mako. The board will continue to research other options and get additional quotes prior to making a decision at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Draw Down

A draw down is scheduled from October 9th through October 14th. The secretary put a notice on the LHA website.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since August 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 August meeting.

Motion: Behuniak Second: Blanchard Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Ames
Secretary - LHA

These minutes are subject to approval.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LAKE HOUSATONIC AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER, 17, 2017, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.