



Minutes of the 4/17/2018 Meeting

The April 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)
Fiedler, Andy (Derby)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Olson, Jim (Oxford)
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent

Manion, Tim (Shelton)

Also present was: Phil Iannaccone, Riverview BBQ and Brian Brainard, LHAMP Asst. Chief.

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Phil Iannaccone, co-owner of Riverview BBQ gave a follow up to his presentation at the November LHA meeting in regards to a new proposed business venture renting paddle power vessels. Initial discussions with local zoning officials and DEEP were positive. Mr. Iannaccone requested that the LHA draft a letter stating that the business plan presents no conflict with the goals and objectives of the LHA. The board discussed and so no issue with drafting such letter.

Motion to draft letter as requested:

Motion: Behuniak

Second: Olson

Vote: Unanimous

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the March 2018 meeting minutes was presented to the board for approval.

Motion to accept the March 2018 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Blanchard

Second: Zitnay

Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, presented the April 2018 Treasurer's Report. Expenses included the payment for the new patrol boats, dump truck insurance, and payroll.

Motion to accept the April 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented:
Motion: Zitnay Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

None at this time

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Asst. Chief Brian Brainard reported that the last night of training for the new recruits was tonight which is why the Chief could not attend. Patrols will start by the end of May. The LHAMP will continue to use the Citgo gas station for refueling. New gas cans must be purchased as the new boats have integral gas tanks. A quote for new sirens and for installing the radios was presented. A request was made to purchase uniforms in the amount of \$1,993. The board approved the expense and further authorized an additional \$500 for new gas tanks and decals for the boats. The Chairman noted that the board would not approve replacement uniforms next year. Asst Chief Brainard asked if the board could approve the LHAMP Policies & Procedures at this time. The Chairman asked the board if they had further questions on the policies and procedures and if not, he asked for motion to accept.

Motion to accept policies and procedures as revised:
Motion: Zitnay Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

Water Quality:

No report at this time. Sampling will resume next month.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported the harvester would be going to Chippy's Service Station for a new starter and key switch. It's a very involved job as the motor has to be pulled to access the starter motor.

Vessels and Equipment:

No report at this time (see old business for new boats)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

New Patrol Boats

The boats will be picked up this weekend, assuming all the paper work is squared away.

Weed Abatement

The permit is still in process. The target is to treat on June 5th. Both Zoar and Housatonic would be done the same day. A decision will be made 1 week prior based on anticipated weather conditions. First Light has agreed to hold the water flow as long as they can but can not make any guarantees depending on rain. The water will not be dropped, the flow will be kept to a minimum while maintaining level.

NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since March were made available for the Board to review.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

At the start of the meeting the Chairman introduced Andy Fiedler as a new commissioner representing the city of Derby. Andy was a board member in the past.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Motion: Blanchard Second: Olson Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Ames
Secretary - LHA

These minutes are subject to approval.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LAKE HOUSATONIC AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2018, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.