



Minutes of the 7/17/2018 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)
Fiedler, Andy (Derby)
Olson, Jim (Oxford)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent

Jacobson, Paul (Shelton)
Manion, Tim (Shelton)

Also present was: Karen Battistelli (Shelton Board - Apportions & Taxation)

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Karen Battistelli, Board Member of the Shelton Board of Apportions and Taxation, was interested in how the weed herbicide worked out. The Chairman informed her that we are not supposed to see any results for 7 to 14 days. However, in front of marina it was already noted that there were no weeds on surface, they are sinking, and weeds below surface were brown. The board is optimistic but will have to wait and see.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

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

Motion to accept the June 2018 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Zitnay Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, presented the July 2018 Treasurer's Report. Expenses included patrol payroll, boat accessories, professional liability insurance, accounting. Seymour, Shelton, and Oxford have all paid their portions of the budget in full. Just waiting on Derby. A bill for approx. \$37,000 is expected soon for the herbicide treatment.

Motion to accept the July 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented:

Motion: Zitnay Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

None at this time

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

No formal report from the LHAMP.

The board discussed the possibility of dropping off an officer on the state boat ramp to check licenses and registrations while the boat stayed out in the water in front of the beach area as a visual deterrent. This would have to be reviewed with DEEP to see if it is legal and if LHAMP has the jurisdiction to do so.

Water Quality

Scott Ames reported that July sample would be taken next week. None of the data for this year has been reviewed in detail yet but cursory review looks typical.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported the harvester was not in the water yet. We need to wait at least two weeks after herbicide treatment before cutting weeds. One of the two operators will return this year.

Vessels and Equipment:

Dump truck and boat trailers are registered. There was a small ding on one of the patrol boat propellers that was able to be hammered out. One siren died but was repaired free of charge. Overall officers very pleased with new boats.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Draw Down

The board discussed the issues with the unscheduled water draw down. Under consideration is setting aside a specific week (with a rain date week) for the spring draw down. It would be before Memorial Day. No permits for regattas or other events would be scheduled during this time to guarantee the availability. Weed treatment would follow in mid-June.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Motion: Behuniak

Second: Zitnay

Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

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 21, 2018, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.