



Minutes of the 1/15/2019 Meeting

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

Members Present

Ames, Scott (Oxford)
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)
Behuniak, Paul (Seymour)
Fiedler, Andy (Derby)
Jacobson, Paul (Shelton)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent

Manion, Tim (Shelton)
Olson, Jim (Oxford)

Also present was Nate Case, a representative of Hopkins Crew.

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

The Chairman recognized Mr. Nate Case from the Hopkins crew. Mr. Case asked the board if there were any questions or concerns with the Marine Event Permits submitted by Hopkins. The board acknowledged receipt of the applications and they appeared to be in order and typical of previous years. One item of note was that one of the events might fall during the spring water draw down. Mr. Case acknowledged that Hopkins was aware and they were prepared to safely operate during drawdown if necessary. The Chairman thanked Mr. Case for being present to answer questions and tabled further discussion of the applications until new business.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

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

Motion to accept the November 2018 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Zitnay Second: Fielder Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, presented the January 2019 Treasurer’s Report. Expenses included water quality testing, accounting, and payroll expenses. Receipts included donations from New Haven Rowing Club and Yale to support the weed abatement program.

Motion to accept the January 2019 Treasurer’s Report as presented:

Motion: Olson Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

None at this time

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

The Chief, Ed Baclawski, represented his proposed roster of officers and boat handlers for the 2019 season for the board’s review. In addition, he asked for permission to interview additional boat handlers to fill out the roster. The board agreed. The Chief noted there are no signs at the public boat launch at Indian Well State park indicating the speed limit, stay to the right, or other lake regulations. The board agreed this was an oversight and would discuss with the park officials if a sign could be posted.

Water Quality:

None at this time

Weed Abatement:

None at this time

Vessels and Equipment:

The LHAMP Chief asked for permission to get the laser gun calibrated. The board approved.

The board discussed the weed harvester, dump truck, and associated equipment and agreed unanimously it was time to sell them based on the success of the weed abatement program.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

Slate of Officers for 2019

The Chairman asked for a motion to accept the proposed slate of officers as presented by the Nominating committee. The committee proposed the following slate of officers:

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| Stahl, Mike (Derby) | Chairman |
| Behuniak, Paul (Seymour) | Vice-Chairman |
| Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton) | Treasurer |
| Ames, Scott (Oxford) | Secretary |

Motion to accept the proposed slate of officers as presented.

Motion: Blanchard Second: Zitnay Vote: Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS:

Marine Event Permits

The board reviewed two applications from the Hopkins Crew and two applications from the New Haven Rowing Club.

The Chairman asked for a motion to accept the applications as presented.

Motion to accept the applications from Hopkins and NHRC as presented:

Motion: Zitnay Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

Sandy Blanchard abstained from voting on the NHRC applications due to conflict of interest.

Budget Committee:

The Treasurer presented the proposed 2019 budget on behalf of the budget committee.

Motion to accept the budget as proposed

Motion: Zitnay Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

Proposed 2019 Roster of Officers and Boat Handlers:

The Chairman asked for a motion to accept the Roster of Officers and Boat Handlers as presented by the LHAMP Chief. The Chief proposed the following roster:

Chief	Ed Baclawski
Asst Chief	Brian Brainard
Officer	Kevin Dunn
Officer	Philip Gangnath
Officer	Paul Quagliaroli
Officer	Mathew Catania Jr.
Officer	Josh Henrietta
Officer	Vincent DelPrete
Officer	Roberto Talloni
Officer	Jeremiah Kenney
Officer	Michael Bouchard
Boat Handler	Patrick Kilby
Boat handler	Peter Thomas

Motion to accept the proposed roster as presented. Pay rates to be increased by \$1/hr for all returning officers/handlers, not to exceed the maximum pay rate.

Motion: Blanchard Second: Behuniak Vote: Unanimous

Meeting Location:

The board discussed the fact that a new meeting location would be required. The current location is in great despair and it wasn't certain how long it would be available. Sandy Blanchard said he would reach out to the NHRA. Scott Ames suggested we reach out to the towns as well.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since November was presented to the board

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Sandy Blanchard and Dave Zitnay both noted they would be absent for the February meeting due to vacations.

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

Motion: Behuniak

Second: Jacobson

Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 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, FEBRUARY 19, 2019, AT THE DERBY CITY HALL AT 7:30 P.M.