



Minutes of the 1/18/2022 Meeting

The January meeting of the Lake Housatonic Authority was held as an online Zoom meeting.

Members Present

Ames, Scott (Oxford)
Fiedler, Andy (Derby)
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)
Olson, Jim (Oxford)

Members Absent

Behuniak, Paul (Seymour)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Also present was LHAMP Chief, Brian Brainard.

The Secretary, Scott Ames, called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM

PUBLIC PORTION:

None Present

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the November 2021 meeting were presented to the board for approval.

Motion to accept the November 2021 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Blanchard Second: Fiedler Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, presented the January 2022 Treasurer's report. All year end filings and forms have been completed. Material was submitted to the auditor for the audit. There are no outstanding bills, however a few uncashed checks.

Motion to accept the January 2022 Treasurer's report as presented:

Motion: Olson Second: Fiedler Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

None scheduled.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Chief Brainard reported that training would not be available for new officers for 2022. Neither the plan to try to piggyback training efforts with the Park Rangers nor to get training just for the LHA were successful. The LHA's Lake Sargent was promoted and is no longer in our region so there is a good chance he will be replaced this year.

Water Quality:
No report at this time.

Weed abatement:
Jim Olson reported that the current permit was for a duration of 3 years so no new permits will be needed for this year or next year. Jim said he would continue to work with the weed abatement vendor Solitude to fine tune the treatment. Overall, the Milfoil treatment is working well but not the tape grass. Last year was difficult due to rain and high-water levels causing treatments to be rescheduled and to not be able to keep minimal flow for adequate time after treatment. Jim noted he is pursuing grants to potentially help offset the cost of or expand on the current treatment plans and studies.

Vessels and Equipment:
No report at this time.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Nominating Committee:
The Secretary presented the proposed board of officers for 2022 on behalf of the Nominating Committee. The committee proposed the following slate of officers:

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

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

Budget Committee:
The Treasurer presented the final draft of the 2022 budget for the board to review. The board previously reviewed a draft copy so minimal discussion was required before making a motion to accept.

Motion to accept the 2022 Budget as presented:
Motion: Fiedler Second: Olson Vote: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:
None at this time

NEW BUSINESS:
None at this time

CORRESPONDENCE:
All correspondence received since November was presented to the board.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:
None at this time.

AJOURNMENT:
The Secretary asked for a motion to adjourn the January meeting at 8:10PM.
Motion: Blanchard Second: Olson Vote: Unanimous

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 15, 2022, VIA ZOOM MEETING.