



## **Minutes of the 11/21/2023 Meeting**

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

### Members Present

Ames, Scott (Oxford)  
Behuniak, Paul (Seymour)  
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)  
Fiedler, Andy (Derby)  
Olson, Jim (Oxford)  
Stahl, Mike (Derby)

### Members Absent

Evans, Chris (Shelton)  
Zitnay, David (Derby)

Also present was LHAMP Chief, Brian Brainard.

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 6:39PM

### PUBLIC PORTION:

No public present.

### MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the October 2023 meeting were presented to the board for approval.

Motion to accept the October 2023 meeting minutes as presented:

Motion: Olson                      Second: Fiedler                      Vote: Unanimous

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Sandy Blanchard, reported that all finances were in order. There is an outstanding bill for approximately \$5,000 for the end of season weed survey. There was some discussion if the LHA could get a credit card or debit card for making purchases rather than requiring board members to pay the bills and submit for reimbursement. All agreed it would be helpful. The treasurer agreed to look into the possibility.

Motion to accept the November 2023 Treasurer's report as presented:

Motion: Behuniak                      Second: Stahl                      Vote: Unanimous

### GUEST PRESENTATION:

None scheduled.

### STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Chief Brainard reported that the season went well and has come to a close. Some good news from DEEP is that the DEEP Seargent appointed to the LHAMP just got an officer assigned to him to help with his load. And that DEEP will be running the academy next year for training officers. The LHAMP needs three more officers. As such, and with the academy available next year, an ad will be placed soon for hiring officers for next year. The Chief is still investigating what dash and or body cameras should be purchased for the patrol. There was some discussion about possibly checking boat registrations and licenses at the park prior to launching. The Chief also noted he had someone in mind as possibly filling the assistant chief position.

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported that the October test results were received and were typical. Testing has been completed for the season. A report will be generated after the new year.

Weed abatement:

Jim Olson reported that the end of year survey was completed. They are currently working on updating the maps. He will begin the process of securing a new permit after the new year.

Vessels and Equipment:

Mike Stahl reported that one boat needs an ignition switch. There was some talk about purchasing hand held radios for the boats. The Chief will investigate further and make recommendations at the next meeting.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time

CORRESPONDENCE:

All correspondence received since October was presented to the board.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

None at this time.

AJOURNMENT:

The Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn the November meeting at 7:09PM.

Motion: Behuniak      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, JANUARY 16, 2024, VIA ZOOM MEETING.