

Minutes of the 4/21/15 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)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)
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Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent Fiedler, Andy (Seymour) Manion, Tim (Shelton)

Also present was Steve Burt, President NHRC; Patrick Kilby, LHAMP Chief and Edward Baclawski, LHAMP Asst. Chief

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:

Steve Burt presented two applications for marine events to the board on behalf of the New Haven Rowing Club. The Board reviewed the applications and discussed. Both applications were in order and typical to prior years although one application did not have a map attached. The board agreed to approve both applications as long as the map was attached and it matched last years. The Chairman signed the applications and Mr. Burt excused himself from the meeting.

The Chairman asked for a moment of silence for former LHA Commissioner Bill Steeves who passed away on April 15th. All joined the Chairman in a moment of silence.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the January 2015 meeting were presented to the board for approval. Minor corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the January 2015 minutes with corrections:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Udall, K. Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer, Mike Udall read the April 2015 Treasurer's Report.

Cash disbursements included rent to McConnie's Grove Association. There were no cash receipts.

Motion to accept the reading of the April 2015 Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Blanchard Vote: Unanimous

GUEST PRESENTATION:

No presentation scheduled at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

Patrick Kilby reported that two officers wouldn't be returning this season leaving the LHAMP with 10 officers. He felt that he would still be adequately staffed. He reported that the first aid class was successful. The first opportunity for recertification would be this Sunday and the 2nd date was May 16th. Sexual harassment training will May 5th. Law enforcement update will be May 19th.

Patrick asked to enter executive session to discuss personnel issues. The Chairman acknowledged his request and the board entered executive session.

Start of executive session at 7:46PM End of executive session at 8:16PM

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported that water testing would resume late next month.

Weed Harvester:

Paul Behuniak reported that the weed harvester needed repair but it would be delayed until funds became available.

Vessels and Equipment:

Patrick Kilby reported that although the DEEP had previously committed to loaning radios to the LHAMP for this season, they will not be supplying them. The board voiced their displeasure with the DEEP since the radios were just recently upgraded and now due to the DEEP change were already obsolete. DEEP offered the loaner radios until funding could be procured and just before the start of the season has backed out leaving our officers unable to communicate to dispatch putting them in a potentially dangerous situation.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

Sandy Blanchard noted that the budget committee performed a full audit and all was in order.

NEW BUSINESS:

Patrick Kilby presented the LHAMP 2015 roster to the board.

Motion to hire the LHAMP 2015 roster as presented by Patrick Kilby, with the exceptions noted in executive session.

Motion: Blanchard Second: Behuniak Vote: Mike Stahl abstained, all others unanimous

The 2015 LHAMP roster is:

Chief, Patrick Kilby, 9yrs Asst. Chief, Edward Baclawski, 7th year

Officer, John Annino, 10th year
Officer, Steven Hoffman, 5th year
Officer, Paul Quagliaroli, 2nd year
Officer, Kevin Dunn, 2nd year
Handler, Nicholas Catania, 2nd year
Handler, Cheyenne Stahl, 2nd year

Handler, Shannon O'Connell, 2nd year Radios, Jon Awalt, 5th year

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since March was presented to the board for review.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The Chairman noted that the dam would be closed to traffic from May 2^{nd} to the 5^{th} . He also noted the water draw down would take place the weekend of May 8^{th} to 10^{th} .

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Motion: Behuniak Second: Udall, M. Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

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 19 2015, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.