

Minutes of the 9/20/16 Meeting

The September 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)
Stahl, Mike (Derby)
Udall, Kathy (Oxford)
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Zitnay, David (Derby)

Members Absent
Manion, Tim (Shelton)
Blanchard, Sandy (Shelton)

The Chairman, Mike Stahl, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC PORTION:

No public present

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The minutes for the August 2016 meeting were presented to the board for approval. A couple minor typographical corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the August 2016 minutes with corrections:

Motion: Behuniak Second: Zitnay Vote: Unanimous

TREASURER'S REPORT:

No report at this time

GUEST PRESENTATION:

No presentation scheduled at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Patrol:

No report at this time

Water Quality:

Scott Ames reported that water quality testing was continuing. The last sample would be taken in October.

Weed Harvester:

The weed harvester has had some minor problems but has been running. The shore conveyor needs a cylinder replaced, there are a few leaky hoses, gauges need replacing, and a tire/hub on the trailer needs replacing.

Vessels and Equipment:

The boats will remain in the water until the October 8th regatta. After the regatta they will be pulled, cleaned, and shrink wrapped as soon as possible.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

DEEP Memorandum of Agreement

Still no response from DEEP to date. Sandy Blanchard drafted a letter to DEEP. It was reviewed by the board and approved to be sent by the secretary.

Purchase of new radios

Radio installation went well. Clean installation and radios are working fine.

Weeds

Exploratory quotes were received on both replacing the weed harvester as well as supplementing with a transport. The harvester is estimated at \$167K and the transporter at \$140K. The Yale Forestry department is researching the types of weed species present in the lake. There is a meeting this Thursday the 22nd at West Conn regarding the blue/green algae outbreaks on Zoar, Lillinonah, and Candlewood.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water draw down

McCallum Enterprises is looking to schedule a water draw down for the week of October 17th. They received feedback from Yale that there is a regatta that week. There are currently no approved permits or requests for permit for that week.

Treasurer vacancy

Mike and Kathy Udall will be resigning from the LHA board for personal reasons. It was a difficult decision for the Udall's but a necessary one. The board thanked the Udall's for their years of service and all that they have done for the board.

This leaves a vacancy for the Treasurer's position which will need to be filled at the next meeting. The secretary, Scott Ames, will assume the role until the position is filled.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since August was made available for the Board to review.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

None at this time

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 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, OCTOBER, 18, 2016, AT THE VRPA OFFICES IN THE DERBY RR STATION AT 7:30 P.M.