

Bridgewater
Brookfield
New Milford



Newtown
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Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 7, 2021
Virtual Meeting
7:30pm

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman S. Young called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

Members Present: Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Ginnetty, S. Leems, J. Munno, J. Pinkos, V. Young, J. Curren, and C. Read

Members Absent: M. Digirolamo, 2nd Vice Chairman J. Forlenzo, D. Lathrop, B. Rogers, B. Piepho and R. Johnson,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by V. Young, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to approve the LLA August 2021, meeting minutes as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced Rebekah White and Angela Woerner, Friends of the Lake. He also introduced Brookfield Selectman Sue Slater.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young stated he received voicemails regarding lake levels. He also stated that R. White, FOTL received information that some of the buoys are out of place. Chairman S. Young reported that the vendor will clean up all buoys and replace any missing ones. J. Ginnetty stated he received approximately 60 calls from people who would like to be added to the call list and others to be taken off the call list.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Chairman S. Young stated there was an issue with one boat. Chairman S. Young shared a video sent by Matt, New England Aquatics, with the members on debris in New Milford.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti stated he took a survey on the lake and witnessed a tremendous amount of debris.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report this month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner stated he received Town Contribution checks from Roxbury, New Milford and Brookfield.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Vacancies – Brookfield-1

NEW BUSINESS:

*LLA Secretary Salary Increase – A motion was made by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, seconded by J. Curren, to increase the secretary's hourly increase by 2.25%. Motion carries unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GRANT COMMITTEE: No report this month.

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: J. Curren spoke about the draw downs and debris in the lake. He recommended that another survey be taken.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: No report this month.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: No report was given this month.

BOATING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE: Chairman S. Young talked about issues with the two boats. He stated that there was a minor accident with one of the boats. 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifilitti reported on the August Marine Patrol Activities Report as follows;

There are currently 11 officers and 9 assistants for year 2021. Three LLA marine patrol boats are in service and available. Boat #2 is back in service as we received a loaner engine from Echo Bay Marina. The two stoke outboard is out of service. A total of 530 man-hours were documented on lake for patrol functions. There were 5 patrol shifts that were cancelled due to issues with boat #2. 7 patrol shifts ended early due to rain/thunderstorms. Patrol had 93 contacts with vessels, camper/swimmers that resulted in 39 verbal warnings and 18 inspections; primarily for life jackets. The patrol had 30 documented boater assists (tow, etc....) as well as 8 trespassers at the Bleachery Dam in New Milford. Patrol investigated a reported sinking vessel on August 2nd in Southbury. Patrol assisted Newtown PD with a medical emergency in Pond Brook area.

Chairman S. Young discussed with members discussed the liability and wear and tear of the boats by allowing marine patrol officers to move debris.

FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE: C. Read stated that he and B. Piepho are working on purchasing Tiger Muskies.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Chairman S. Young shared sad news that Jeff Tinley, FOTL, has passed away.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by J. Curren, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.